FULLFIDO™
Inflate your services, not your costs.
fido
Always by your side

The world's largest global newspaper
metro®
TORONTO • WEDNESDAY AUGUS news.ca

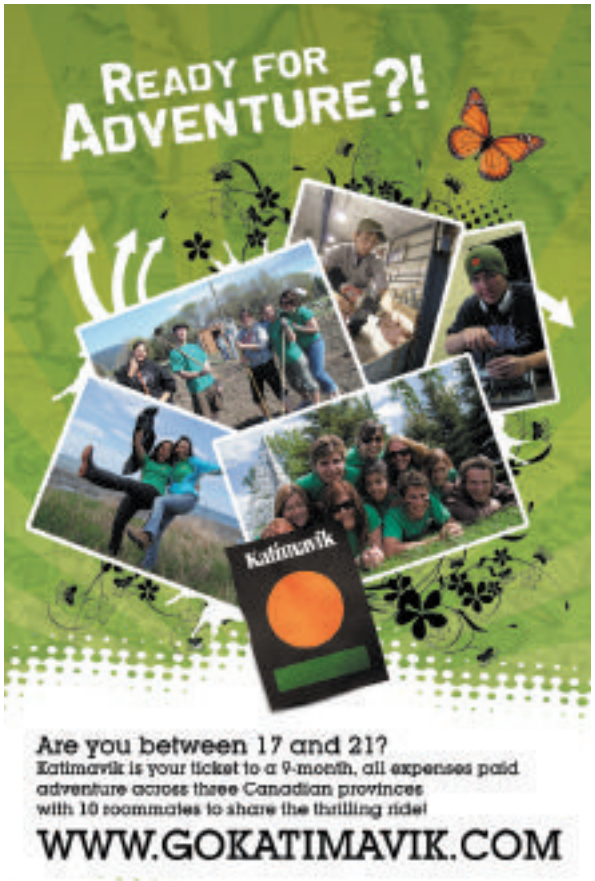
Don't Miss Tonight's Draw!
LOTTO 649
IMAGINE THE FREEDOM

Apartments hold up Mimico park

The president of the Mimico Residents' Association proudly points out the most impressive features of Toronto's newest waterfront park — cobble beaches, sand dunes, and best of all, access to the waterfront. It's perfect, says Bob Polden, except for one thing: Almost half the park is missing.

The owners of three apartment buildings on this stretch of Lakeshore Boulevard have refused to sell a strip of the shoreline to make way for the park. As a result, a 400-metre gap separates the western edge of Toronto's Waterfront Trail from the four-week-old Mimico Linear Waterfront Park. The board of Water Toronto is scheduled to address the issue at its meeting on Sept. 3.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE


READY FOR ADVENTURE?!
Katimavik
Are you between 17 and 21?
Katimavik is your ticket to a 9-month, all expenses paid adventure across three Canadian provinces with 10 roommates to share the thrilling ride!
WWW.GOKATIMAVIK.COM

JEFF GROSS/GETTY IMAGES

Olympics
Glory hug

Whitby's Priscilla Lopes-Schliep celebrates her bronze finish with runner-up Sally McLellan of Australia after the women's 100m hurdles final at the Beijing Olympics yesterday. **More Olympics, p. 18, 20**

PM, Dion clash

With a public exchange of taunts and dares, Prime Minister Stephen Harper and Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion are signalling a fall election is all but certain.

Harper said yesterday he would consult the other parties about the likelihood of a "productive fall session" and contacted Dion's office to set the wheels in motion.

Harper chided the Liberals for waffling on their election threats and repeated his own.

"The fact of the matter is that what I will have to decide over the next few weeks is whether or not we can have a productive fall session of Parliament, or whether in fact the government, a government, needs a new mandate," he said at the Hamilton Health Sciences complex, where he had just announced $34.7 million for its new $91-million heart research institute.

At a press conference in Ottawa, Dion said Canadians are ready for an election and that he's ready to replace a prime minister he says can't be believed or trusted.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Automotive pg 21
Tiguan heats up CUV competition

Travel page 27
Bite of Big Apple on small budget

ShareYourViews
torontoletters@metronews.ca

REPLACE YOUR DENTURES AND/OR MISSING TEETH WITH DENTAL IMPLANTS
...often during one appointment!*
*APPLIES TO QUALIFIED PATIENTS ONLY
Call CLEARVIEW Dental Centre today, to schedule your FREE IN-OFFICE CONSULTATION
416.597.1122 • www.ClearviewDental.ca

Free Daily News Group Inc., operating as Metro Toronto 1 Concorde Gate, Suite 703, Toronto, Ontario M3C 3N6. Publisher: Bill McDonald

meet Kat Von D

The famed tattoo artist and star of *LA Ink* is debuting her limited-edition color collection exclusively at Sephora. Stop in, score some face time with the fabulous Ms. Von D (who will be signing autographs) and be the first beauty on your block to experience her oh-so-edgy line of luscious lipsticks, head-turning liners and sassy shadows.

Kat Von D
SEPHORA

Thursday, August 21

5pm-7pm

Sephora Eaton Centre
220 Yonge Street
416-595-7227

COME IN AND SIGN UP FOR
beautyinsider
SEPHORA
our beauty-full rewards program

SEPHORA

Five injured in crash
Five people escaped with minor injuries after their vehicle crashed into a pole and they were trapped in it for almost two hours yesterday morning. The crash happened around 2:30 a.m. at the intersection of Bloor Street East and Parliament Street. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Local

Lightning strikes GO

Yesterday morning's commute took longer than usual for GO Transit users travelling through Oshawa, where lightning during an overnight storm struck a signal box causing delays. CN and GO Transit crews worked overnight to repair the damage at the Oshawa signal box and the Lakeshore East line was running at normal speed by 8:15 a.m., said Jessica Kosmack, spokesperson for GO Transit. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

INDEX

Canada Pg 6
World Pg 10
Business Pg 13
Sports Pg 14
Beijing Games Pg 18
Automotive Pg 21
Travel Pg 27
Workology Pg 36
Entertainment Pg 40
TV Listings Pg 44
Take Five Pg 45
Celebrity Buzz Pg 46

Tomorrow's Metro

Games
Follow Marty York's ongoing coverage of the Beijing Games.

metronews.ca

What's online today.

Watch a recap of yesterday's Olympic action and a report on Montreal's emergence as a world capital for online adult entertainment
Check movie showtimes, trailers and reviews at metronews.ca/movies
Search for jobs using Metro's Workopolis search
Play online Crosswords!

Lotteries

Ontario Pick 3	944
Ontario Pick 4	3144
Encore	6772287
Daily Keno	10, 15, 17, 19, 22, 24, 25, 26, 28, 31, 32, 36, 42, 46, 47, 51, 52, 55, 56, 67

These results are not official.

News in brief

POLICE A man was Tasered by police in the lobby of an apartment building in Toronto's north end last night. Security notified police that a knife-brandishing man was smashing windows in the lobby of an apartment building on San Romanoway, near Jane Street and Finch Avenue.
TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Change may shield IDs

Proposal put forth to rule that courts are open to public scrutiny

Their names are at the centre of some of history's famous trials. Louis Riel. Paul Bernardo. Joan of Arc.

But what if Joan were known only as A.O.J. or Bernardo as simply B.P.?

It may sound strange, but finding out the names of people involved in cases before the justice system will become more difficult — and involve decoding initials — if Canada's privacy commissioner has her way.

Media restrained

- Expunging names would be a significant departure from the usual practices and seriously restrain the media — and the public — from knowing who's come before the justice system.

Jennifer Stoddart is proposing radical changes to the long-standing rule that courts are open to public scrutiny. Under the proposal, names and personal information would be removed from judge's decisions and case information posted on the Internet.

Initials — "hopefully reversed initials" — would replace actual names as part of the "anonymizing" process, she said.

In a speech to the Canadian Bar Association over the weekend, Stoddart said while personal details can be important to a case, she's not convinced they need to be known to the world at large.

"The open court rule, which is extremely historically important, has now become distorted by the effect of massive search engines," Stoddart told reporters before heading into a seminar yesterday.
TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Propane company breaks silence

Sunrise Propane has issued its first — and, for now, last — statement since last week's disastrous propane explosion in northwest Toronto, expressing regret for "the tragic loss of life" and "for the events and turmoil that has resulted from that day."

Firefighter Bob Leek, 55, died in the aftermath of the blast. A body found at the site and yet to be identified is suspected to be that of employee Parminder Saini, 24.

In the short news release, spokesperson Danny Roth said that "out of an abundance of caution and a desire for the investigatory process to unfold free of speculation and misinformation, we will not be making any further public comments at this time."

The company said it will continue to co-operate fully with investigators and encourage "all concerned to assume an equally prudent position, and refrain from a rush to judgment."
TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Displaced residents hoping to return home

For the 900 displaced residents of 2 Secord Ave., the end of their ordeal may soon be in sight.

Now one month into their displacement following an explosion in an underground hydro vault below the apartment building, the residents were told they would be allowed back home near the end of August.

"That's the target," confirmed Danny Roth, a spokesperson for the Preston Group, which owns the building. "To say that we will or will not hit it ... it's speculation."

The end-of-the-month target was reached last week when the Fire Marshal's office turned control of the building back over to the landlords, allowing them to move on with cleanup and repairs.

But there's still a lot of work to be done before residents can move back in.
TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Program **Filling needs for children**

RAUL PORTOLOP NEWS

Children will get stuffed with hope yet again this fall as KidsFest prepares to fill 5,000 backpacks with vital school supplies for students who would not otherwise have access to the tools they need to succeed. Pictured, top row, from left, sisters Sam and Ali Ritchie, bottom row, Alisha Soogrim, Mike "Pinball" Clemons, Moses Water, Myg Water, KidsFest Founder and CEO Brian Warren and Maye Water.

Durham to short-list incinerator companies

Durham Region's controversial debate over garbage disposal is moving one step closer to incineration.

The municipality's request for proposals for a mass-burn incinerator is to be issued Friday to five shortlisted companies — setting out detailed plans for the first incinerator in the Toronto region since Peel Region's Algonquin Power facility opened in 1992.

The struggle to find a homegrown solution for the disposal of household garbage is a huge issue — and a controversial one — for councils across the greater Toronto region.
TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Businesses hire security officers

CHINATOWN About 500 businesses in Chinatown are raising $7,000 to hire private security officers for the area. Between 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. from Thursday through Sunday, two uniformed officers patrol the crowded streets, equipped with batons, handcuffs and radios. By the end of the pilot period, Chinatown Business Improvement Area will review whether private policing works.
TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Man seriously injured in crash

A 29-year-old Georgetown man is in hospital in serious condition after a crash between a motorcycle and an SUV Monday night. Around 9 p.m., police were called to Mountainview and Argyll roads in Georgetown after reports of a serious crash. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Man arrested again on porn charges

PEEL REGION A Brampton man was arrested Monday for the second time in a week on child pornography charges after police discovered a hidden camera in his bathroom.

Peel police entered a Brampton home on July 30 and found the camera in the man's bathroom, which they believe was being used to record unidentified girls while they used the washroom.

Leon Marin, 42, was arrested on Aug. 11 and charged with voyeurism and possession of child pornography. He was released on bail after a court appearance on Aug. 13.

He was arrested again Monday after investigators discovered new evidence and pressed additional charges against him including accessing child pornography, making child pornography available and breach of recognizance. He was scheduled to appear in court for a bail hearing yesterday.

Investigators have not yet identified the victims in the video footage.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Future 'rockets' revealed at CNE

Commuters and visitors are getting a sneak preview of new subway cars at the CNE's "Toronto Rocket Interior Mockup" display.

Bombardier has a contract with the TTC to deliver 39 accessible trains (234 cars) in the first quarter of 2010.

The new wheels will serve the Yonge-University-Spadina lines. At $12 million per train, enhanced features include wheelchair accessibility, safety systems and interactive maps.

"What is at the CNE today is the resemblance of what we will see in 2010," says Pat Sabino, operations coordinator for the Toronto Rocket project.

About 24 surveillance cameras line each train. The TTC operator and guard will have access to live images when the passenger alarm system is activated.

But will new gadgets make commuters feel safer? And will they deter crime?

"How would it be safer for me?" asks 29-year TTC driver Tom Bolt.

"If someone came through the door to assault me how would a camera prevent it? Would I feel safer? No!"

What about the passenger alarm system?

"It's a good idea for emergency only, not when people push it to say 'Hey driver, how do I get to the CN Tower?' That would be annoying," Bolt says.

Police Const. Ben Eng, of 52 Division, says: "The victim still has to live with the injuries. If the TTC adopts video surveillance like taxi cabs, it will assist police from the point of view of evidence."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

RENE JOHNSTON/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Interior of new subway cars on display at the CNE. The train boasts new technology including cams and lighted maps.

Daycare locked down

A Mississauga daycare was in lockdown for two hours yesterday after a man, believed to be an estranged stepfather, threatened to kill children and workers.

Peel police responded to Tiny Treasure Mississauga Day Care Centre, on King Street West, around 10:40 a.m. after a worker called 9-1-1 to report the incident.

The employee reported that a man approached two children and spoke to them through a fence.

After a brief conversation, one of the children became visibly upset. One of the daycare workers intervened and denied the man access to the children, said Peel Const. J.P. Valade. The man became angry and threatened the staff member and approximately 60 children housed in the daycare.

Police located and arrested the man around 12:30 p.m., said Valade. Police did not find a weapon.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

METRO Toronto

1 Concorde Gate, Suite 703
Toronto, ON M3C 3N6
Tel: 416-486-4900
Fax: 416-482-8097

Advertising: 416-486-4900 ext. 321
adinfotoronto@metronews.ca
Editorial: newsdesk@metronews.ca
Distribution inquiries:
toronto_distribution@metronews.ca
metro_inquiries@metronews.ca
torontoletters@metronews.ca

Toronto's #1 read FREE DAILY newspaper.
Source: NADbank 2007; base: Toronto CMA

Local:
Associate Publisher, Irene Patterson
Managing Editor, Glen Miller
glen.miller@metronews.ca
Associate Managing Editor, Tarin Elbert
Marketing Manager, Robyn Payne
Retail Sales Director, Tracy Day
Production and Distribution Director, Gerry Moher
National:
Group Publisher, Bill McDonald
Editor-in-Chief, Dianne Rinehart
Art Director, Laila Hakim
National Sales Director, Susan Courtney
Interactive Director, Jodi Brown

Metro is the world's largest newspaper, with more than 20 million daily readers in 100 major cities in 21 countries.
metronews.ca

You've tried the 10-10 services, now try WorldTalk.
Call anywhere in the World at great rates!

Or call MARS for 99¢ unlimited!! Telehop Communications who bring you both 10-10-100 and 10-10-620 presents the BEST Long Distance Rates in Canada.
Sign-up now for your choice of any TWO countries under our Favorites Rate Plan, the lowest price available, or select a block of 500, 1000 or Unlimited Minutes for the countries of your choice.

Some examples of our great low rates:

Country	My Faves Per Minute Rate	Block Plans
Canada	2.2¢	$10.00 Unlimited Minutes
USA	2.4¢	$10.00 Unlimited Minutes
Canada and USA		$14.00 Unlimited Minutes
China	2.2¢	$6.00 for 500 Minutes
Italy	2.4¢	$11.00 for 1000 minutes
Mexico	8¢	$22.00 for 1000 minutes
Columbia	7.2¢	$30.00 Unlimited Minutes
United Kingdom	2.5¢	$6.00 for 500 Minutes

All calls made from your home phone with no extra numbers to dial. Receive our low rates to any country.

Call 1-888-882-8119 or visit www.telehop.com/worldtalk for details.

* Unlimited calling is defined as 2,000 minutes of residential usage

YOU COULD WIN A BACK TO SCHOOL PRIZE PACK!

Men's prizepack includes products from Crest, Oral B, and Gillette Male Grooming products

Women's prizepack includes products from CoverGirl, Herbal Essences, Olay, Gillette Venus, Crest and Secret

Look inside the *Back to School* section of Metro on August 21 for your chance to WIN a His or Hers Back to School Prize Pack!

No purchase necessary. One entry per person. Contest open to Canadian residents of legal age, excluding residents of Quebec. Contest closes August 21, 2008. Odds of winning depend on number of entries received. Approximate retail value of each prizepack is $100. For full contest rules and details, visit www.metronews.ca.

metro Do it daily.

PER-SECOND BILLING.

TAKE YOUR MINS. TO THE MAX.

Head back to school with per-second billing[1] and plans as low as $15 a month[2].

Canada's most affordable rates[3]

solomobile.ca 1 877 999-SOLO

Solo™ mobile

Available at the following Solo Mobile kiosks:

BARRIE
Georgian Mall

BRAMPTON
Bramalea City Centre

BURLINGTON
Burlington Mall

ETOBICOKE
Woodbine Centre

HAMILTON
Lime Ridge Mall

KITCHENER
Fairview Park Mall

LONDON
Masonville Place

MISSISSAUGA
Square One Shopping Centre
Dixie Outlet Mall

NEWMARKET
Upper Canada Mall

ORLEANS
Place d'Orleans

OSHAWA
Oshawa Centre

OTTAWA
Carlingwood Shopping Centre
Rideau Centre
St. Laurent Centre

SCARBOROUGH
Scarborough Town Centre
Scarborough Town Centre II

ST. CATHARINES
Pen Centre

TORONTO
Centrepoint Mall
Dufferin Mall
Toronto Life Square
Yorkdale

VAUGHAN
Vaughan Mills

WINDSOR
Devonshire Mall

Available at the following Bell stores:

AJAX
Durham Centre

ALLISTON
36 Young St.

ANCASTER
Meadowlands Plaza

AURORA
14751 Yonge St. Unit 2
SmartCentres Aurora

BARRIE
44 Cedar Point Dr.
632 Yonge St.
Barrie Power Centre
Georgian Mall (kiosk)

BELLEVILLE
Quinte Mall

BOLTON
SmartCentres Bolton

BOWMANVILLE
Clarington Place

BRACEBRIDGE
Bracebridge Shopping Centre

BRAMPTON
59 First Gulf Blvd. #8
100 Great Lakes Dr. #118
10086 Hurontario St.
Airport & Hwy 7
Bramalea City Centre
Shoppers World

BRANTFORD
Brantford Harmony Square
Lynden Park Mall
Sobeys Plaza

BROCKVILLE
1000 Islands Mall

BURLINGTON
1100 Walker's Line
Appleby Crossing
Burlington Mall
Mapleview Mall

CAMBRIDGE
499 Hespeler Rd.
Cambridge Centre

CHATHAM
853 St. Clair St.
Downtown Chatham Centre

COBOURG
Northumberland Mall

COLLINGWOOD
Blue Mountain Mall

COOKSTOWN
Cookstown Outlet Mall

CORNWALL
Cornwall Square

DUNDAS
101 Osler Dr.

ETOBICOKE
Cloverdale Mall
Sherway Gardens
Sherway Gardens Kiosk
Woodbine Centre

FERGUS
890 Tower St. South

FORT ERIE
International Gateway Centre

GEORGETOWN
330 Guelph St.

GODERICH
Suncoast Mall

HAMILTON
1289 Upper James St.
Centre Mall
Eastgate Square
Lime Ridge Mall
Lloyd D. Jackson Square

HANOVER
425 10th St.

HUNTSVILLE
Huntsville Square

KANATA
510 Earl Grey Dr.

KESWICK
Glenwoods Centre

KINGSTON
Cataraqui Town Centre
Kingston Centre
Taylor Kidd Marketplace

KITCHENER
3012 King St. East
Fairview Park Mall
Highland Hills Mall
Sunrise Shopping Centre

LEAMINGTON
County Fair Mall

LINCOLN
4961 King St. East

LINDSAY
229 Kent St. West
Whitney Town Centre

LONDON
125 York St.
1920 Dundas St. East
Masonville Place
Westmount Shopping Centre
White Oaks Mall

MAPLE
2810 Major Mackenzie Dr.

MARKHAM
7357 Woodbine Ave.
Market Village
Markville Shopping Centre
Pacific Mall
RioCan Marketplace

MIDLAND
Mountainview Mall

MILTON
377 Main St. East

MISSISSAUGA
980 Eglinton Ave. East
2800 Skymark Ave. #6
6965 Davand Dr. #12
Dixie Value Mall
Erin Mills Town Centre
Heartland Power Centre
Sheridan Centre
Square One Shopping Centre
Square One Shopping Centre (kiosk)
SmartCentres Westgate

NEPEAN
50 Market Place Ave.
1541 Merivale Rd.
Bayshore Shopping Centre

NEWMARKET
Upper Canada Mall

NIAGARA FALLS
3714 Portage Rd.
Niagara Square

NORTH BAY
975 McKeown Ave.
Century Centre Plaza
Northgate Square

NORTH YORK
170 Rimrock
2081 Steeles Ave.
Centrepoint Mall
Crossroads Plaza
Empress Walk
Lawrence Square
North York Sheridan Mall
Sheppard Centre
Yorkgate Mall

OAKVILLE
Hopedale Mall (kiosk)
Oakville Place
Winston Power Centre

ORANGEVILLE
114 Broadway Ave.

ORILLIA
Orillia Square Mall

ORLEANS
Place d'Orleans
SmartCentres Orleans

OSHAWA
Five Points Mall
Oshawa Centre

OTTAWA
247 Bank St.
2184 Thurston Dr.
Billings Bridge Plaza
Carlingwood Shopping Centre
Rideau Centre
SmartCentres Orleans
St. Laurent Shopping Centre

OWEN SOUND
Heritage Place
Shoppers Drug Mart Plaza

PARRY SOUND
Parry Sound Mall

PEMBROKE
1018 Pembroke St. East

PETAWAWA
3471B Petawawa Blvd.

PETERBOROUGH
746 Lansdowne St. West
Lansdowne Place

PICKERING
Pickering Town Centre
Steeple Hill Shopping Centre

RICHMOND HILL
Elgin Mills Crossing
Hillcrest Mall
Richmond Heights Plaza
Time Square Shopping Centre

SARNIA
531 Murphy Rd.
Lambton Mall

SAULT STE. MARIE
270 Bruce St.
Station Mall

SCARBOROUGH
259 Morningside Ave.
Bridlewood Mall (kiosk)
Cedarbrae Mall (kiosk)
Eglinton Square
Kennedy Commons
Malvern Town Centre
Scarborough Town Centre

SIMCOE
Simcoe Town Centre

SMITHS FALLS
16 Beckwith St. South

ST. CATHARINES
420 Vansickle Rd.
Fairview Mall
Pen Centre

ST. THOMAS
1063 Talbot St.

STITTSVILLE
1250 Main St. Unit 2

STRATFORD
400 Huron St.
Festival Marketplace

SUDBURY
Brady Square
New Sudbury Centre
Southridge Mall

THORNHILL
Promenade Mall

TILLSONBURG
Tillsonburg Town Centre

TORONTO
85 Hanna Ave.
320 Queen St. West
209 Danforth Ave.
2171 Queen St. East
2256 Bloor St. West
2323 Yonge St. Unit 101
Brookfield Place
Centerpoint Mall
Chinatown Centre
College Park
Commerce Court
Cumberland Terrace
Dufferin Mall
East York Town Centre
Eaton Centre
Eaton Centre II
Exchange Tower
Gerrard Square
Scotia Plaza
Toronto Life Square
Yorkdale (kiosk)

TRENTON
260 Dundas St. East

UXBRIDGE
307 Toronto St. South

VAUGHAN
Vaughan Mills

WATERLOO
Conestoga Mall

WELLAND
589 South Pelham St.
Seaway Mall

WHITBY
Whitby Mall
SmartCentres Whitby

WILLOWDALE
Bayview Village
Fairview Mall

WINDSOR
Devonshire Mall
Ferrari Plaza
St. Clair Shores
Tecumseh Mall

WOODBRIDGE
4080 Hwy 7, Suite 3

Also available at:

WAL★MART
WE SELL FOR LESS, EVERY DAY™

booth the telephone booth

((WIRELESSWAVE))

Available with compatible devices within Solo Mobile network coverage areas. Subject to change without notice; not combinable with other offers. Taxes extra. Not available at all Wal-Mart stores. Other monthly fees, e.g., e9-1-1 (50¢) and system access (not a government fee; $6.95) apply. Other conditions apply. [1] With new activation on monthly voice plans. Applies to local calls. [2] With a new activation of a plan with a minimum 30-day term agreement. [3] Based on certain monthly plan rates, per-second billing on local calls, and access to a coast-to-coast network, with a min. 2-yr contract term on a Solo Mobile monthly plan; excluding promotional and long distance rates, details at solomobile.ca. Solo and Solo Mobile are trademarks of Bell Mobility Inc.

Suicide bombing kills Afghan interpreter, wounds Canadian soldier and Afghan boy

A suicide bomber blew himself up in a busy Panjwaii District market, near Afghan National Police and Canadian soldiers on foot patrol. An Afghan interpreter was killed. The child is in serious but stable condition, while the soldier is in good condition. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada

Halifax contemplates bottled water ban

Halifax Mayor Peter Kelly says he might take a hint and ban bottled water in city hall and other buildings after London, Ont.'s city council recently voted to eliminate sales of bottled water at arenas, community centres and all other city-run facilities. Raymond Plourde of Halifax's Ecology Action Centre welcomed the move, saying: "In the overall pantheon of consumer products it's one of the worst when it comes to a big environmental footprint and producing a lot of greenhouse gases." METRO NEWS SERVICES

PM pushes back

War of words continues with Jean Chrétien

Prime Minister Stephen Harper says his predecessor Jean Chrétien is "hypocritical" in his criticism of the Conservative government's approach to China.

Smarting from Chrétien's scolding this week in Quebec that Harper's failure to go to China risks hurting Canadian business interests, aides and the prime minister himself pushed back hard.

At a news conference in Hamilton, Harper dismissed the significance of his absence at an Olympics attended by about 80 world leaders including U.S. President George W. Bush.

"I don't always do what Mr. Bush does," Harper told reporters.

"As you know I haven't attended Olympics in the past. I indicated a long time ago I had no intention of attending this one. I have work to do in the country.

The lapdog remark was "beneath a former prime minister."
Jason Kenney

"And I would just point out that Mr. Chrétien almost never attended Olympics when he was prime minister in 13 years. He did once in 13 years. So Mr. Chrétien is being a bit hypocritical."

Chrétien's comments came in Quebec City where he accused Harper of failing to nurture Canada's relationship with the economic powerhouse that China has become.

"Starting with Diefenbaker, Trudeau and all of us, we established very good relations, relatively speaking, with China. And suddenly you break the bridge," Chrétien said.

Chrétien said he and Harper's other predecessors did not masquerade as the "nouveau petit chien des États-Unis" — the newest lapdog of the U.S. "We all had an attitude that was independent," Chrétien said.

Harper declined to answer another question on the subject, but his secretary of state for multiculturalism, Jason Kenney, said later the lapdog remark was "beneath a former prime minister."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

In tribute **66 years after Dieppe**

J.P. MOCZULSKI/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Prime Minister Stephen Harper, right, lays a wreath yesterday at the Dieppe Veterans' Memorial Park in Hamilton, 66 years after the 1942 raid that led to 3,300 Canadian casualties.

Raids, scandals, bribes show Tories have 'major ethical problems': Dion

Stéphane Dion

OTTAWA Prime Minister Stephen Harper wants an election because the longer his party is in power, the more its fortunes slide, Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion said yesterday.

"This government is wracked with major ethical problems," he said.

He recalled the RCMP raid on Conservative headquarters related to an election-financing scheme, and accusations that they tried to bribe a late Independent MP into voting with the Tories to bring down the Liberal minority government.

Dion said Harper's threats to dissolve the government rather than uphold a fixed election date says "a lot about the prime minister" and his willingness to break his word when convenient.

A Harper spokesperson said Dion is also trying to trick Canadians by calling for an election but not providing details.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

News in brief

WINNIPEG Someone claiming to be a sister of Tim McLean, the young man stabbed and beheaded on a Greyhound bus in Manitoba last month, has been trying to use the horrific killing to collect money through the Facebook social-networking site. The person was asking for PayPal donations to cover funeral expenses. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Frosty relations with Russia ahead

OTTAWA Canada's relations with Russia over disputed Arctic territory could become frostier as NATO members seek to discipline the country for its invasion of Georgia, an aide to Prime Minister Stephen Harper said.

"We're examining all aspects of our relationship," with Russia, Harper said yesterday, "focusing on aspects that have to do with strategic and military situations, but we will of course review everything."

Another spokesperson for Harper said Canada and Russia's joint military working groups and exchange programs for senior officers will be reviewed. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

FLOOR MODEL SALE ON ALL LG APPLIANCES

CHECK OUR INVENTORY FOR OTHER NAME BRANDS WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

FLOOR MODEL $999
22.1 cu.ft. Bottom-Mount, French Door Refrigerator with Pull-Out Freezer Drawer White
FLOOR MODEL $1,899 NEW $2,599
LG 22.7 cu.ft. with External Ice & Water Dispenser stainless steel
FLOOR MODEL $1,649 NEW $2,399 SAVE $750
LG 22.4 cu.ft. Total Capacity stainless steel w/ice maker
FLOOR MODEL $1,149 NEW $1,699
LG 19.7 Cu. Ft. Bottom Mount Refrigerator - Stainless Steel
FLOOR MODEL $1299
*Counter Depth
20.9 cu. ft. Bottom Freezer French Door Refrigerator
FLOOR MODEL $799
20 cu. ft. Bottom Freezer Clean Steel w/ice maker
FLOOR MODEL $1,425 NEW $1,999
LG Electronics Front Loading 4.2 Cubic Foot Steam with Wash
FLOOR MODEL $399
30" Free Standing Electric Self Cleaning Range
LG 7.3 cu.ft. stainless steel drum electric dryer with LED display
FLOOR MODEL $769 NEW $1,099
SAVE $851 PAIR $1,699
FLOOR MODEL $999 NEW $1,450
LG 4.2 cu.ft. 1200 RPM, 9 washer cycles w/ never rust stainless steel drum
FLOOR MODEL $1,179 NEW $1,699 SAVE $520
LG 30" free standing self-cleaning, smooth-top, convection, stainless steel
FLOOR MODEL $1,140 NEW $1,599 SAVE $459
LG 4.2 cu.ft. 1200 RPM heater, 9 washer cycles, control center front Load washer in Titanium
FLOOR MODEL $1,679 NEW $2,399 SAVE $720
LG 4.2 cu.ft. 1320 RPM heater, 9 washer cycles, allergy care cycle steam washer
FLOOR MODEL $509 NEW $749.99
LG 2.6 Cu. Ft. Top Loading Washer
FLOOR MODEL $1,199 NEW $1,699 SAVE $600
LG 30 Inches/White Free Standing Electric Self Cleaning Convection Range with Warming Drawer
FLOOR MODEL $1,299 NEW $1,799
LG Side By Side, Electronic LED Display with ice & water dispensing, water filter status light, Express Freezing, and child lock. 26 cu.ft.
FLOOR MODEL $1,299 NEW $1,899
LG Stainless 30 In. Free Standing Electric Self Cleaning Convection Range with Warming Drawer
FLOOR MODEL $889 NEW $1,279
LG Semi-Integrated Dishwasher, stainless steel inside, smooth white outside
FLOOR MODEL $349
GCAS730MWW White on White GE 24" Free Standing Electric Standard Clean Range

*May not be exactly as shown, taxes are extra, no PST on Energy Star appliances.

NEW SCRATCH & DENT

684 Denison St., Markham, ON • Monday - Saturday 10-7pm 905.415.4774 • 416.934.7989

BELLISSIMO APPLIANCES & PARTS LTD. AUTHORIZED LG CANADA DEALER

fall fashion

shopping event

FALL 2008

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20TH TO SUNDAY, AUGUST 24TH, 2008

SHOPPING EVENT
SAVE 15%*
ON EVERYTHING!
PRESTIGE CARD MEMBERS SAVE AN ADDITIONAL 10% OFF
*Excluding Gift Cards and Prestige Cards. Merchandise may not be available in all colours and styles or at all Suzy locations. Only while supplies last. Some restrictions may apply. Discount not available at Suzy outlet stores.
SHOPPINGEVENT
SHOPPINGEVENT
SHOPPINGEVENT
SUZY
SUZYSHIER.COM

Mysterious tissue disease infects two Alberta infants

Two newborns from Lethbridge, Alta., have contracted a skin condition that causes tissue to die. Doctors aren't sure what the condition is, but say it's not flesh-eating disease. A University of Calgary expert is investigating the illness. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Accused terrorist didn't target Britain, defence says

OTTAWA Momin Khawaja never intended to bomb civilians in Britain, says his defence lawyer.

Lawrence Greenspon admitted yesterday in Ontario Superior Court that his client built a device, dubbed the Hi-Fi Digimonster, capable of setting off explosives.

But he insisted the Digimonster was designed for use against military targets in Afghanistan — not for a homemade fertilizer bomb constructed by others in Britain.

Greenspon maintained that the London plotters — although they had frequent contact with Khawaja — never let him in on their plans to mount attacks in Britain.

Khawaja, an Ottawa software developer, faces seven charges under the Anti-Terrorism Act.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Taking pills? Lose the juice

HEALTH Downing a morning glass of grapefruit or other juice may be a great way to get vitamin C, but for some people it could also do serious harm.

New Canadian research shows that grapefruit juice can dramatically decrease the body's ability to absorb certain drugs — including some for life-threatening conditions like cancer.

Researchers at the University of Western Ontario found that subjects who took an antihistamine with grapefruit juice absorbed only half the drug compared to taking it with water.

Lead author David Bailey says grapefruit juice contains a substance that blocks absorption of certain drugs — and orange and apple juice appear to contain a similar substance.

Bailey discovered almost 20 years ago that grapefruit juice can boost the effects of some other drugs and actually cause toxic overdoses.

He says patients should check with their doctor or pharmacist before taking any medications with grapefruit juice or other fruits and juices.

The research was presented yesterday in Philadelphia at the annual meeting of the American Chemical Society.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Quebec renovates only nuclear plant

POWER Quebec will spend nearly $2 billion to spruce up its only nuclear power plant. Hydro-Quebec announced yesterday that Gentilly-2, which provides only 3 per cent of the province's energy, will get a major retrofit aimed at increasing its lifespan to 2040. Engineering and procurement are slated to begin this year on the plant, with wrap-up scheduled for 2013.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

ENJOY PAINTING ART OR DIRECTING FILM? FOR IMMEDIATE SUCCESS CONTACT WWW.OMIARTISTIC.COM

100% PERMANENT HAIR REMOVAL

VISIT A DRAMATICALLY DIFFERENT WEBSITE AT WWW.OMIHAIR.COM

A GOOD FOR YOU!! You're coming to OMI for your hair removal treatment. (most OMI clients are male)

B You are to be congratulated for not wasting your money with others who overcharge for poor results or undercharge for no result.

C OMI's proven they are best since 1979. Improve your life, call OMI now!

Most … of OMI consultations were treated by doctors and others without success. Don't waste your money like they did. Come to OMI first!

Factual Details visit website

OMI on 98.1 Radio & OMI on Rogers TV Channel 5

EXCLUSIVELY OMI MEDICAL INC. 416•223•5500

OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK

TODAY IS A GOOD DAY TO SURPRISE A FRIEND...

Take Five daily, to find out what your horoscope says.

metronews.ca

metro Do it daily.

*"I finally said **goodbye** to fatty **long distance** and roly poly **roaming charges**."*

Nationwide Talk & Text Combo Contains

- No Long Distance Charges on All Calls Within Canada[1]
- Unlimited Messaging (Text and Picture)[2]
- Up to 250 Nationwide Anytime Minutes
- 7pm Nationwide Evenings & Weekends[3]

$45

Per Month[4]

You pay no System Access Fee.

koodomobile.com

Koodo mobile™

Good call

BEST BUY · FUTURE SHOP · The BRICK · WAL-MART · Zellers · Koodo shop

(1) Local anytime minutes apply. (2) Excludes premium messages. Includes international text messages. (3) Unlimited local calling from 7pm to 8am, Monday through Thursday and from 7pm Friday to 8am Monday. (4) Taxes are extra. © 2008 Koodo Mobile.

Dixie Outlet Mall
Georgian Mall
Lime Ridge Mall
Oshawa Centre
Pickering Town Centre
Scarborough Town Centre
Sherway Gardens
Square One
Toronto Eaton Centre
Vaughan Mills
Yorkdale Mall

Suicide bomber kills 43 in Algeria

A suicide bomber rammed an explosives-rigged car into a police academy in the town of Les Issers, Algeria, as recruits lined up to register for classes, killing at least 43 people. It was the deadliest attack in the North African country since the 1990s. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World

Clinton not on Obama list?

Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama is expected to pick his running mate this week from a short list of four names: Virginia Gov. Tim Kaine, Joseph Biden of Delaware, Indiana Senator Evan Bayh and Kansas Gov. Kathleen Sebelius. Senator Hillary Clinton of New York was seen by some Democrats as a longshot pick.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Pakistan's coalition squabble

JUDGES Just a day after Pervez Musharraf's resignation, Pakistan's governing coalition fell into wrangling yesterday over restoring the judges he fired. While former prime minister Nawaz Sharif has pushed hard to get them back on the bench, the leader of the coalition's biggest bloc, Asif Ali Zardari, has stalled their restoration.

Meanwhile, the one-time military ruler was believed to be in his army-guarded residence near the capital, Islamabad. Analysts speculated Musharraf wants guarantees against criminal prosecution or forced exile, but Law Minister Farooq Naek said "no deal" had been reached. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Small Russian pullout

Tanks, armoured vehicles leave Georgian city of Gori

Russian soldiers took 20 Georgians in military uniform prisoner at the key Black Sea port of Poti in Georgia yesterday, and commandeered four American Humvees awaiting shipment back to the United States after U.S.-Georgian military exercises.

The move came as a small column of Russian tanks and armoured vehicles left the strategic city of Gori in the first sign of a pullback of troops from Georgia after a ceasefire intended to end fighting.

The two countries yesterday also exchanged prisoners captured during their brief war.

Russian forces blocked access to Poti's naval and commercial ports and towed the missile boat Dioskuria, one of the Georgian navy's most sophisticated vessels, out of sight of observers. A loud explosion was heard minutes later.

Georgian Interior Ministry spokesman Shote Utiashvili said the Russian military blew up the Dioskuria.

Several hours later, Russian trucks and armoured personnel carriers left the port with about 20 blindfolded and handcuffed men riding on them.

Meanwhile, at an emergency meeting in Brussels, U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and her 25 NATO counterparts demanded that Russia immediately withdraw its troops from Georgia, a U.S. ally that wants to join NATO.

"It is time for the Russian president to keep his word to withdraw Russian forces," Rice told a news conference. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SHAKH AIVAZOV/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Georgian honour guards stand beside coffins during a funeral of Georgian soldiers at a cemetery in Tbilisi, Georgia, yesterday.

10 French troops killed in ambush

AFGHANISTAN Insurgents ambushed elite French soldiers as they climbed a mountain pass, killing 10 troops in a militant stronghold outside the Afghan capital in the biggest single combat loss for international forces in Afghanistan in three years.

In a separate, attack, a team of suicide bombers tried unsuccessfully to storm a U.S. base in Khost city near the Pakistan border. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

PAINTINGS Retired Massachusetts lawyer Robert Mardirosian, 74, has been found guilty of possessing six valuable paintings stolen from a home in 1978. His lawyer says he was simply trying to return the paintings and collect a finder's fee. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Become a Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Technician in Just One Year
After one year at TIPT, you can graduate with a Diploma in Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Technology that will qualify you to work at the leading pharmaceutical companies in Canada.
The Toronto Institute of Pharmaceutical Technology difference:
Practical Hands-On Training
High Entry Level Salaries
Exclusive Job Placement Assistance
1.3% OSAP Default Rate for 2007
Financial Assistance Available
High Graduate Employment Rate
Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Technology (Diploma)
Join Us at out Open House on August 23rd(10-3pm)!
Refresments will be served!
RSVP:
Toronto Institute of Pharmaceutical Technology
Pioneering Professional Excellence & Certification
55 Town Centre Court - Suite 800 - Toronto, Ontario M1P 4X4
15th
Learn from the leader in pharmaceutical science and technology training
CALL: (416) 296-1478
VISIT: WWW.TIPT.COM

YOU COULD WIN
1 OF 10
pairs of tickets to each of the four seminars at the
babes & tots
on the go show
THE ULTIMATE SEMINARS FOR PARENTS ON THE GO!
Mississauga
Livings Arts Centre
September 2, 9, 16 & 23
Ajax
Convention Centre
October 7, 14, 21 & 28
$15 per seminar – Call 1-877-378-8469 or visit www.babesandtots.com to order tickets
ENTER FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN BY EMAILING YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION TO CONTESTS@METRONEWS.CA
babes & tots
on the go show
metro
Do it daily.
No purchase necessary. One entry per person. Contest open to Toronto residents of legal age, Approx. retail value of each prize is $100. Contest closes August 29, 2008 at midnight. Odds of winning depend on number of entries received. For full contest rules and details, visit www.metronews.ca.

ESTĒE LAUDER

YOUR FREE GIFT WITH ANY **ESTĒE LAUDER** PURCHASE OF $32 OR MORE*

ONLY AT THE BAY

MAKE YOUR GIFT EVEN BIGGER!
ADD A LUXURIOUS TOTE FREE WITH ANY **ESTĒE LAUDER** PURCHASE OF $75 OR MORE.

• Choose the lip and eye shades you love, warm or cool • Enjoy a 7-day supply of Hydra Bright Skin-Tone Perfecting Moisturizer • Take home new Sumptuous Bold Volume™ Lifting Mascara, 2 chic bags, the luminous fragrance every woman wears her way, new ESTĒE LAUDER Sensuous and more • Just say Gift Me!

*While quantities last. One of each gift to a customer.
Offer ends September 1st, 2008.

For your purchase may we suggest:
New! Perfectionist [*CP+ Wrinkle Lifting Serum*] Advanced with Wrinkle Lift Restructuring Peptides™
See up to a 61% reduction in the look of serious wrinkles. Our exclusive, fast-acting Wrinkle Lift Restructuring Peptides™ work within skin's deepest surface layers to begin redensifying its appearance. Lift away the look of wrinkles and enter the ageless future.
30 mL. **$72.50**
50 mL. **$100**

SPECIAL BONUS!

With every **ESTĒE LAUDER** Gift With Purchase receive a $15** **NYGÅRD COLLECTION** coupon!
**$15 off any purchase of $75 or more (before taxes). Valid August 13th to September 13th, 2008.
One coupon per customer. While quantities last.

BEAUTY *at the Bay*

Zambian president dies at 59

Zambian President Levy Mwanawasa, whose criticism of the political and economic crisis of neighbouring Zimbabwe helped break the traditional silence of African leaders toward one of their own, died yesterday in France. He was 59. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Blaze razes parliament

Fire ravaged a 19th-century palace used by the upper house of Egypt's parliament yesterday, with flames bursting through windows as helicopters scooped water from the Nile River to douse the blaze.

Flames soared upward from the top floor of the three-storey building, and much of the interior appeared gutted. While firefighters focused on one corner of the building, the blaze burned unabated on the other side, spreading to the second floor with periodic explosions and showers of sparks.

Thick black smoke billowed over downtown Cairo, and rush hour traffic gridlocked from the dozens of fire trucks that rushed to the scene.

There was no official word on the cause. Evacuated employees said authorities told them they had ruled out terrorism, and that an electrical short-circuit had likely sparked the fire. At least 16 workers and firefighters were hospitalized for smoke inhalation, said Ahmad Salah, the fire operations supervisor.

Extent of damage was not immediately known, but much of the top two floors of the palace appeared to be destroyed. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASSER NASSER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Flames and smoke rise from the Egyptian parliament building yesterday in Cairo, Egypt.

N.Y. firefighters kept hopping with three baby deliveries

ON THE GO Make that three babies — count 'em, three — to go.

Babies in a hurry made for a memorable Monday morning for firefighters in and around Rochester, N.Y., who were summoned three times to deliver infants in cars.

Just after 5 a.m. Monday, authorities said, a woman gave birth in a car alongside a road in suburban Brighton. Fire officials and firefighter emergency medical personnel helped deliver the infant.

Two hours later, firefighters in nearby Perinton delivered a baby girl in a car that had pulled into the parking lot of their fire station while the mother was en route to the hospital.

The third birth occurred in Rochester. Details weren't immediately available. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

RELEASED Authorities freed British glam rocker Gary Glitter from prison in southern Vietnam yesterday, sending the convicted child molester into an uncertain future after nearly three years of confinement. Glitter, 64, left Vietnam on a flight to Bangkok on which he was seated in business class in an apparent effort to shield him from reporters also on the plane.

BIRTH RATE More women in their early 40s are childless, and those who are having children are having fewer than ever before, the U.S. Census Bureau said Monday. In the last 30 years, the number of women age 40 to 44 with no children has doubled, from 10 per cent to 20 per cent. And those who are mothers have an average of 1.9 children each, more than one child fewer than women of the same age in 1976.

WEATHER Tropical storm Fay moved inland yesterday after making landfall in southwest Florida, never growing into the hurricane forecasters had cautioned it could become. At 3 p.m. yesterday, the centre of the Atlantic hurricane season's sixth named storm was 25 kilometres west-southwest of Okeechobee. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EVENTS · TTC MAPS · ROUTES & MORE!

SEE IT YOUR WAY

Get a new perspective on Toronto. There's always something new to do and see in our FREE city event guide.

Pick up your event guide on hooks in subways, buses and streetcars or visit www.ttc.ca

Scotiabank BuskerFest
The Toronto International Street Performer Festival
August 21 - 24 — Front Street (between Yonge and Jarvis Streets)
A short walk south from King subway station or east from Union subway station.
416-964-9095 — www.torontobuskerfest.com

FanExpo Canada
August 22 - 24 — Metro Toronto Convention Centre
A short walk west from Union subway station.
416-241-7827 — www.fanexpocanada.com

Festival of South Asia
August 23, 24 — Gerrard Street East (between Coxwell & Greenwood Avenues)
Take the 506 Carlton streetcar east from Queen's Park or College subway station or south from Main Street subway station or take the 22 Coxwell bus south from Coxwell subway station.
416-465-8513 — www.festivalofsouthasia.com

TTC DAY PASS $9.00 UNLIMITED TRAVEL

Ride the Rocket. THE BETTER WAY

*TTC Day Pass - Some conditions apply. Call 416-393-INFO or visit www.ttc.ca for details.

LIFE INSURANCE?
Mortgage Insurance

TEN YEAR TERM

Age	$100,000	$250,000	$500,000
30	10.33	13.28	18.90
35	11.61	13.73	21.15
40	13.25	17.55	27.90
45	16.02	25.20	38.70
50	21.06	35.10	61.20
55	25.02	55.35	94.05
60	37.44	85.73	162.90
65	62.19	144.45	280.35

Call our experts for a quote on
- Term Insurance
- 20 yr, 30 yr, to age 100
- Universal Life Insurance
- Critical Illness
- Personal Disability Plans
- Group Health & Dental Benefits
- Monthly rates shown are for male, preferred non-smokers
- Female rates are considerably less
- Lower rates for annual premiums, rates subject to change

WE REPRESENT ALL THE MAJOR INSURANCE COMPANIES
Gerson Life Insurance Brokers Inc.
416-224-0024 • 1-800-465-3601 • www.gersoninsurance.ca

JOIN OUR UNIQUE GLOBAL REACH BY PICKING UP YOUR METRO DAILY.

Young. Active. Well-educated.

metronews.ca

metro Do it daily.

ABCP restructuring plan hits new snag
The restructuring plan for $32 billion in asset-backed commercial paper hit another snag yesterday. Ivanhoe Mines plans to take their case to the Supreme Court, a day after the Ontario Court of Appeal ruled the plan should go ahead. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Business

DOLLAR 0.29¢ — C$ $94.25 US / US$ $1.0610

OIL $114.53 US / $1.66

EDITOR: FERMIN DESOUZA, FERMIN.DESOUZA@METRONEWS.CA

Fewer Americans travelling north

TRAVEL Anthony Pollard, president of the Hotel Association of Canada, says he's seen a big drop in travellers from the United States because of gas prices and the run-up in the Canadian dollar. Possible border delays and confusion over new passport rules have also dissuaded Americans from heading North. THE CANADIAN PRESS

GM employee discount for all

CARS General Motors Corp. said yesterday it will extend employee discounts in the U.S. — generally 10 per cent — to everyone, except on its medium-duty trucks, and a handful of its 2009 models, as it seeks to clear its remaining inventory of 2008 vehicles.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Google draws heat

Internet titan invests in energy start-ups

Google yesterday gave $10.25 million US to two start-ups in the U.S. that hope to expand the potential of geothermal power production.

Yesterday's investments focused on EGS, or enhanced geothermal systems, which involve new technologies and processes that can tap previously untouchable energy deep within the earth's crust.

Where Google's money went

- Seattle-based AltaRock Energy Inc., which is aiming to lower the cost of EGS projects by improving techniques for fracturing rock, received $6.25 million.
- California-based Potter Drilling, which has come up with an economical way to drill geothermal boreholes up to nine kilometres deep, got $4 million.

Dan Reicher of Google's philanthropic arm Google .org said EGS could be the "killer app" of the energy world, even though it hasn't attracted as much attention as solar and wind energy. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Business in brief

U.S. ECONOMY Wholesale inflation in the United States surged in July, leaving prices for the past year rising at the fastest pace in 27 years. Wholesale prices shot up 1.2 per cent, pushed higher by rising costs for energy, vehicles and other products. The increase was more than twice the 0.5 per cent gain that economists expected, The Associated Press reports.

SALES Wholesale sales in Canada rose 2 per cent to $45.2 billion in June, the fifth increase in six months, largely a result of higher demand for automotive products, The Canadian Press reports. Sales of motor vehicles were particularly strong, rising 11.9 per cent, while demand for motor vehicle parts and accessories grew 6 per cent.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

DEBT PROBLEMS?
We Can Help!
Call Now 1-888-532-0098
FREE Consultation
• No more calls from collection agencies!
• One small monthly payment for all your debts!
• No need to go Bankrupt
• Cut your debt by up to 70%!
• Reduce Interest on your debts!
Licensed by the Ontario Government Reg# 4710424
Debt Payoff Canada
www.debtpayoff.ca

TRAIN YOUR BRAIN.
Workout your brain daily, with Metro's Take Five.
metro
Do it daily.

IT'$ PAYDAY inc.
Make TODAY, your Payday!
35% OFF FIRST LOAN WITH AD
(FAST APPROVALS BY PHONE OR INTERNET)
LOWEST RATES IN THE GTA
BORROW UP TO 50% OF YOUR NET PAY, FROM $100 TO $1000 UNTIL PAYDAY!
Apply online: www.itspaydaytoday.com
Or Call Us: 416-588-LOAN (5626)
940 BLOOR ST., W. (BLOOR & OSSINGTON)

No Matter Where You Call, No Matter What You Pay, Comwave Will Beat It... Guaranteed!
Latin America: Colombia 3¢, Uruguay 7¢; Argentina 2.9¢, Brazil 2.9¢, Cuba 85¢, Ecuador 12.9¢, Haiti 16.9¢
Middle East: Jordan 4¢, Lebanon 9¢; Saudi Arabia 3.9¢, Syria 18.9¢, U.A.E. 19.9¢, Egypt 14.9¢, Iran 3.9¢, Israel 2.9¢
South Asia: India 6¢, Pakistan 5¢; Afghanistan 24.9¢, Bangladesh 3.9¢, Nepal 7.9¢, Sri Lanka 11.9¢
Africa: Kenya 6¢, Somalia 49¢; Algeria 7.9¢, Libya 24.9¢, Morocco 18.9¢, Nigeria 6.9¢, Niger 13.9¢
Even If You're Paying Less, Call Us And We'll Beat It!
Fully Featured Home Phone Lines
2 Great Plans
iPhone Enhanced $14.95 Unlimited Local Calling
iPhone One Rate $29.95 Unlimited Long Distance to Canada and USA
Caller ID, Voicemail, Call Forwarding, Call Waiting, Keep Your Existing Phone Number, Free iPhone to iPhone calls WORLDWIDE!
And Much More!
Call Now And Get One Month Of Phone Service FREE
$5 Unlimited Calling To Anywhere In Canada
You can even call from your cell phone!
The Comwave Global Bundle $10 - 1000 - 1¢
Call Over 20 Countries from only 1¢/min
Limited Time Offer
Call Now And Get Free Long Distance To Anywhere In The World $25
Call Long Distance Even From Your Cell Phone
No need to cancel your service provider.
$10 Free Long Distance for every friend you refer.
No Contracts
comwave
1-866-410-3055
www.comwave.ca

Cobourne wins CFL weekly honours

Montreal Alouettes tailback Avon Cobourne, who accumulated more than 100 yards rushing and receiving in a win over Toronto, was a unanimous selection as the CFL's outstanding offensive player of the week yesterday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sports

Maddux traded to Dodgers

Greg Maddux, left, is headed back to the Los Angeles Dodgers. San Diego and Los Angeles agreed to a trade that puts the 353-game winner in a pennant race again, according to a person familiar with the deal who spoke on condition of anonymity Monday night because no announcement had been made. It was unclear what the last-place Padres would receive in return for the 42-year-old Maddux. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EDITOR: JONATHAN P. KUEHLEIN, SPORTS@METRONEWS.CA

Cash gives TFC options

Edu transfer fee might lead to a greener BMO Field

Maurice Edu is headed for greener pastures with Glasgow Rangers. But the U.S. international midfielder could leave a green legacy of his own in Toronto.

Mo Johnston, director of football for Toronto FC, said yesterday he may try to use his club's share of Edu's $5-million US transfer fee to replace the FieldTurf at BMO Field with natural grass.

The sale, widely reported on both sides of the Atlantic, was finally confirmed by Toronto FC on Tuesday, pending the 22-year-old California native securing a work permit to play in Scotland. The delay in confirming the deal was due to MLS red tape.

One-third of the transfer fee goes to the league, which as a single entity owns the rights to all its players, and two-thirds to Toronto's coffers. Of that, $500,000 will go towards player allocation money — which can be spent over 18 months starting next year, used on salary or to buy a player — with the rest earmarked towards the club's soccer operations such as facilities and youth programs.

ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

The club's share of the $5 million transfer fee of midfielder Maurice Edu might allow the club to replace BMO Field's FieldTurf with natural grass, Mo Johnston suggested.

"We'll make a proposal to the (MLS) board in terms of can we put it towards a practice facility. Maybe a grass field, which I think is vital and important in moving forward. Then obviously the academy," Johnston told reporters.

If the club was to replace the stadium turf, it would need to build a nearby practice facility with turf to meet commitments to the city of Toronto, which provided the stadium land in exchange in part for a year-round facility that could be used by local residents. In winter, a bubble is put over the field to allow that.

The FieldTurf at BMO Field was state of the art when installed. But many players don't like playing on turf and it has turned off some from coming to Toronto.

Johnston drafted Edu first overall in the MLS SuperDraft and said while he will miss his talents, he could understand the midfielder following his dream of European football. He also could see the MLS side.

"It's a lot of money," he said. "You can't knock that back. You have to take it."

Edu will also benefit financially. His MLS salary was listed at $157,500 US this year and Johnston said he can look forward to that going up "probably seven or eight times."

"I don't think for him it's about the salary, it's about how far he can take his future," Johnston added. "It's a stepping stone going to Rangers. Can he make the (English) Premiership? It's now up to him."

Edu is the latest in a line of MLS stars to head overseas, following in the recent footsteps of goalkeeper Brad Guzan (Aston Villa, England), forward Jozy Altidore (Villarreal, Spain) and midfielder-forward Freddy Adu (Benfica, Portugal).

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Robert released

- Toronto FC announced yesterday that they have waived midfielder Laurent Robert. The 33-year-old midfielder joined the club April 2, 2008 signing as a free agent. He started in 16 of 17 games scoring one goal and adding three assists.

ELISE AMENDOLA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTO

In this Oct. 24, 2007 file photo Baseball Hall of Famer Carl Yastrzemski throws out the ceremonial first pitch prior to Game 1 of the 2007 World Series between the Colorado Rockies and Boston Red Sox. Yastrzemski was hospitalized for tests yesterday after experiencing what his spokesman called chest pains.

Sox great Yastrzemski admitted to hospital

MLB Hall of Famer Carl Yastrzemski, the last player to hit for the Triple Crown, was in hospital for tests yesterday after experiencing chest pains.

The Boston Red Sox confirmed the 68-year-old Yastrzemski was admitted to Massachusetts General Hospital and was undergoing evaluation and testing. The team said no further information was immediately available on its longtime great.

Asked whether it was serious, Yastrzemski spokesman Dick Gordon said: "Any time you are in the hospital, it's got to be pretty serious."

The popular Yastrzemski, whose nickname is Yaz, was an 18-time all-star and spent his entire career in Boston, taking over left field for Ted Williams in 1961 and playing through 1983.

In 1967, Yastrzemski helped revitalize the flagging franchise during the "Impossible Dream" season. And all over New England that summer, kids tried to imitate his unique left-handed batting stance, with the bat held high over his head.

With calls of "Yaz" echoing around Fenway Park, he won the Triple Crown that year, hitting .326 with 44 home runs and 121 RBIs. Behind the AL MVP, the Red Sox won their first pennant since 1946, but lost the World Series in Game 7 to St. Louis.

Yastrzemski was elected to the Hall on the first ballot in 1989. He is one of five former Red Sox players to have his number retired by the team.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

THINNING HAIR
HAIR LOSS • ITCHY SCALP
THINNING HAIR • DANRUFF
ANTECHHAIR.COM
HAIR MICRO ANALYSIS (HMA)
ETG TREATMENT
NATURAL SCALP TREATMENTS
A NATURAL ALTERNATIVE TO HAIR TRANSPLANT
FDA APPROVED LASER COMBS NOW AVAILABLE
96.7% SUCCESS RATE
REPORTED IN CLINICAL TESTING
FREE CONSULTATION
FREE EVALUATION
IN BUSINESS OVER 25 YEARS
DOWNTOWN BAY/BLOOR 416.929.4247
NORTH YORK YONGE/SHEPPARD 416.250.6675
MISSISSAUGA HWY10/DUNDAS 905.896.1074

Sports in brief

NFL The New England Patriots released 13-year veteran tight end Marcus Pollard yesterday. They also signed rookie tight end Tyson DeVree, who joins Benjamin Watson, David Thomas and Stephen Spach at that position.

Manning

NFL Peyton Manning attended his first practice yesterday with the Indianapolis Colts since he had knee surgery just over five weeks ago. Manning accompanied the Colts to their first practice session at the new Lucas Oil Stadium. He wore a team jersey and shorts, with an elastic band around his left knee.

NFL The Atlanta Falcons released veteran wide receiver Joe Horn yesterday. The Falcons made the move even though Horn, 36, has a guaranteed $2.5 million US salary for 2008. Horn was a disappointment in 2007, when he caught only 27 passes for 243 yards and one touchdown after signing a four-year, $14.5-million deal.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

PIZZA NOVA
We Deliver Quality!
CALL 416 439-00-00

☐ Impress your date.

☑ Impress your date
by driving them home in the morning.

GT model shown
MSRP $24,995

THE ALL-NEW **09 PONTIAC VIBE** is quite an impressive machine. But it's not just another pretty face. It's not even just an outstanding combination of versatility and fuel efficiency, with 6.2L/100 km (highway) and 8.0L/100 km (city).‡ In fact, with standard StabiliTrak™ electronic stability control system, 4-wheel disc brakes with ABS, tire pressure monitoring system, six air bags and a 3-prong household AC power outlet in the dash, the Vibe could just be "the one". It also comes with the GM 5-year/160,000 km powertrain warranty†, which is more than most can say. Of course, if you really do find someone who digs your own personal smart and stylish vibe, OnStar® can always point you to a nice, quiet brunch place. ***And all the fun starts at $15,995 MSRP.****

FOR THE DRIVE OF YOUR LIFE.

PONTIAC IGNITE THE FEELING

pontiac.gm.ca

*MSRP for 2009 Vibe base (excluding freight). Freight ($1160), licence, insurance, registration, PPSA, administration fees, duties and taxes not included. Dealers are free to set individual prices.†Whichever comes first. See dealer for limited warranty details. Applies to 2009 models. Excludes Medium-Duty Trucks. ‡Fuel consumption determined using Transport Canada approved methodology for 2009 Vibe with 1.8L and automatic transmission.

Nadal, Ivanovic named top seeds for U.S. Open

Rafael Nadal was seeded No. 1 for the U.S. Open yesterday, making it the first time since January 2004 that a man other than Switzerland's Roger Federer held that top spot at a Grand Slam tournament. Ana Ivanovic is the No. 1 seed on the women's side. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Blue Jays topple Yankees

Blue Jays 2 Yankees 1

The Toronto Blue Jays took advantage of misplayed ball by Yankees centre-fielder Johnny Damon to defeat New York 2-1 last night.

Toronto starter A.J. Burnett (16-9) tossed a gem, going eight innings, allowing only five hits, while striking out 13.

The only run he allowed was in the first inning. He walked the lead-off hitter Damon, who scored on a double by Bobby Abreu. That was the only walk Burnett gave up all night.

The Jays weren't able to solve Yankees starting pitcher Darrell Rasner until the seventh inning.

Adam Lind continued his hot play hitting a solo home run to tie the game. It was Lind's third game in a row with a home run.

One inning later Joe Inglett got a two-out single off of reliever Jose Veras. Marco Scutaro then hit a deep fly ball to centre-field that went off of Damon's glove and allowed Inglett to score the winning run.

B.J. Ryan came in to close the game for the Jays, getting his 24th save of the season.

METRO TORONTO

AARON VINCENT ELKASPAR

Toronto Blue Jays starter A.J. Burnett pitched eight innings, allowing only five hits and one run while striking out 13 batters to lead the Jays to a 2-1 win over the New York Yankees last night.

SCOREBOARD

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Tampa Bay	77	48	.616	—
Boston	72	53	.576	5
N.Y. Yankees	66	59	.528	11
TORONTO	**65**	**60**	**.520**	**12**
Baltimore	60	64	.484	16½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Chicago Sox	71	53	.573	—
Minnesota	70	54	.565	1
Detroit	61	64	.488	10½
Cleveland	56	67	.455	14½
Kansas City	55	69	.444	16

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
L.A. Angels	76	48	.613	—
Texas	62	64	.492	15
Oakland	57	67	.460	19
Seattle	46	78	.371	30

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
N.Y. Mets	68	57	.544	—
Philadelphia	66	58	.532	1½
Florida	64	61	.512	4
Atlanta	56	69	.448	12
Washington	44	81	.352	24

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Chicago Cubs	76	48	.613	—
Milwaukee	72	54	.571	5
St. Louis	70	57	.551	7½
Houston	63	62	.504	13½
Pittsburgh	56	69	.448	20½
Cincinnati	55	70	.440	21½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Arizona	64	60	.516	—
L.A. Dodgers	64	60	.516	—
Colorado	57	69	.452	8
San Francisco	53	71	.427	11
San Diego	48	76	.387	16

LAST NIGHT'S RESULTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

TORONTO 2 N.Y. Yankees 1
Tampa Bay 4 L.A. Angels 2
Boston at Baltimore
Kansas City at Cleveland
Detroit at Texas
Oakland at Minnesota
Seattle at Chicago White Sox

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Washington at Philadelphia
Atlanta at N.Y. Mets
Houston at Milwaukee
Cincinnati at Chicago Cubs
Pittsburgh at St. Louis
San Diego at Arizona
Colorado at L.A. Dodgers
Florida at San Francisco

TODAY'S GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Oakland at Minnesota, 1:10
Seattle at Chicago White Sox, 2:05
Boston at Baltimore, 7:05
Kansas City at Cleveland, 7:05
N.Y. Yankees at Toronto, 7:07
L.A. Angels at Tampa Bay, 7:10
Detroit at Texas, 8:05

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Houston at Milwaukee, 2:05
Washington at Philadelphia, 7:05
Atlanta at N.Y. Mets, 7:10
Cincinnati at Chicago Cubs, 8:05
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 8:15
San Diego at Arizona, 9:40
Colorado at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10
Florida at San Francisco, 10:15

CFL

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	T	PTS
Montreal	5	3	0	10
TORONTO	**3**	**5**	**0**	**6**
Hamilton	2	6	0	4
Winnipeg	2	6	0	4

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	T	PTS
Saskatchewan	6	1	0	12
Edmonton	4	3	0	8
Calgary	4	3	0	8
B.C.	4	3	0	8

WEEK 9

TOMORROW'S GAME

Saskatchewan at Edmonton, 9

FRIDAY'S GAME

Calgary at B.C., 10:30

SOCCER

GAMES FEATURING TORONTO FC:

SATURDAY'S GAME

New England and **TORONTO**, 7:30

BEFORE YOU HIT THE
MIDWAY
RIDE WITH US.

More Lakeshore trains will stop at the EX on weekdays during the CNE, plus there will be extra trains over the Labour Day weekend. You can even buy CNE tickets at Union Station or any Lakeshore GO station. Be sure to arrive a little early to avoid line-ups.

For more info visit gotransit.com or just give us a call.

GET ON THE GO
416 869 3200 1 888 GET ON GO (438 6646) TTY 1 800 387 3652
Pour plus de renseignements, veuillez visiter le site gotransit.com ou composer un des numéros ci-dessus.
Let's Go to the EX

VAGINAL TIGHTENING
• Smaller & Tighter Vagina
• Amazing, Incredible Difference
• Tighten loose stretched vaginal opening
• Can improve Sex
• Can improve Intimacy
• Natural Looking Vagina
416-926-0456

HAIR TRANSPLANT
• Quality
• Service
• Experience

Jeunesse
"Where Dreams Become Reality"
COSMETIC SURGERY BREAKTHROUGH
25 YEARS EXPERIENCE
www.lafontainesurgery.com
Over 35,000 Satisfied Patients • Free Consultations • Financing Available
Celebrity Clients
(416) Board Certified Surgeons 962-4444
Affordable Prices
890-A Yonge Street
(1 Block N. of Bloor) (Next to MTV Building /Yorkville Area • Parking Available)

LIPOSUCTION
RATED #1 LIPOSUCTION CENTRE WORLDWIDE
Dramatic Results - Patient Photos
Shaping & Sculpting - Stomach, Hips, Thighs
Look & Feel Better While Reducing
Overweight to Obese (10-175 lbs. overweight)
FROM $1999*
Flatter Stomach - No Tummy Tuck
Reduce Belly Fat - Lower Risk of Stroke, Heart Attack, Diabetes, Alzheimer's & Dementia
MacLeans, Tor. Star, Spare Tire & Belly Fat Age 40 Mid-Age Tor. Star (Journal of Neurology)
*Individual results vary
BEFORE AFTER

BREAST AUGMENTATION
Have the larger, fuller, more sensual breasts you've always dreamed of! $3495*
FEATURED ON T.V.!
WORLD LEADING COSMETIC & PLASTIC SURGERY
• Nose Shaping • Correction of Droopy Eyelids • Face Lift • Wrinkle Remover • Permanent Eye & Lip Liners • Fuller Lips • Botox • Oriental Eyes & Face, Specialists
BEFORE AFTER
COSMETIC SURGERY FROM $1999*
*Plus Anesthetic & O.R.
SAY GOODBYE TO Wrinkles, moles, red/brown/black spots, facial/leg veins, unsightly stretch marks, sun/aged/ weathered/damaged skin, rosecia, acne/acne scars and other annoying skin blemishes - IPL-Laser
WORLD'S LEADING PHOTO FACIAL
• Beyond Laser Resurfacing
• Beyond Botox
• Non-Surgical Face Lift
FDA APPROVED
LJ Photo Facial utilizes advanced vasculite system, combined with micro-dermabrasion and LJ skin repair serum
NO LASER CAN MATCH RESULTS
LASER HAIR REMOVAL
World's Fastest MEN & WOMEN
Amazing instant results Remove hair from face, arms, bikini, legs, under arms & back in minutes • FDA approved • No pain • Fastest & safest laser to date • Fraction of the cost of Electrolysis
Ask About Our GUARANTEE
SPECIAL UPPER LIP, CHIN, OR UNDER ARMS ONLY $69
MEN'S BACK FROM $200
MICRO-DERMABRASION $150 For Stretchmarks & Acne Scars | $29* Glytone Peels for Acne

Now you can call everyone home for dinner.

Only Share plans from Bell give you the options you need to keep everyone in the family happy. Visit a Bell store, bell.ca or call 1 888 4-MOBILE for details.

SHARE PLANS FROM $15/MO. per member

Your family can share anytime minutes and enjoy:

- Unlimited local and Canadian long distance calling between members[1]
- Unlimited night and weekend local minutes
- Features included: Call Waiting and Conference Calling[2]

BONUS: 3 months unlimited local talking[3]

BUY ONE GET ONE
Get a Samsung u740 free when you buy a phone of equal or greater value.[4]

Bell sharing just got better

Also available at this participating retailer: ((WIRELESSWAVE))

Available at the following Bell stores:

AJAX
Durham Centre

ALLISTON
36 Young St.

AURORA
14751 Yonge St.
SmartCenters Aurora

BARRIE
44 Cedar Point Dr.
632 Yonge St.
Barrie Power Centre
Georgian Mall

BOLTON
SmartCentres Bolton

BOWMANVILLE
Clarington Place

BRAMPTON
59 First Gulf Blvd.
100 Great Lakes Dr.
10086 Hurontario St.
Airport & Hwy 7
Bramalea City Centre
Shopper's World

BURLINGTON
1100 Walker's Line
Appleby Crossing
Burlington Mall
Mapleview Mall

CAMBRIDGE
499 Hespeler Rd.
Cambridge Centre

COBOURG
Northumberland Mall

COOKSTOWN
Cookstown Outlet Mall (kiosk)

DON MILLS
Two Park Centre

ETOBICOKE
Cloverdale Mall
Sherway Gardens
Woodbine Centre

GEORGETOWN
330 Guelph St.

LINDSAY
229 Kent St.
Whitney Town Centre

MAPLE
2810 Major Mackenzie Dr.

MARKHAM
7357 Woodbine Ave.
Market Village
Markville Shopping Centre
Pacific Mall

MILTON
377 Main St. E.

MISSISSAUGA
980 Eglinton Ave. E.
2800 Skymark Ave.
6965 Davand Dr.
Dixie Value Mall
Erin Mills Town Centre
Sheridan Centre
Heartland Power Centre
Square One Shopping Centre
Westgate SmartCentres

NEWMARKET
Upper Canada Mall

NORTH YORK
170 Rimrock Rd.
2081 Steeles Ave. W.
Bayview Village
Crossroads Plaza
Empress Walk
Lawrence Square
North York Sheridan Mall
Sheppard Centre
Yorkgate Mall

OAKVILLE
Hopedale Mall (kiosk)
Oakville Place
Winston Power Centre

ORANGEVILLE
114 Broadway Ave.

OSHAWA
Five Points Mall
Oshawa Centre

PICKERING
Pickering Town Centre
Steeple Hill Shopping Centre

RICHMOND HILL
Elgin Mills Crossing
Hillcrest Mall
Richmond Heights Plaza
Time Square Shopping Centre
Building A

SCARBOROUGH
259 Morningside Ave.
Bridlewood Mall (kiosk)
Cedarbrae Mall (kiosk)
Eglinton Square
Kennedy Commons
Malvern Town Centre
Scarborough Town Centre

SUDBURY
Brady Square
New Sudbury Centre
Southridge Mall

THORNHILL
The Promenade

TORONTO
85 Hanna Ave.
320 Queen St. W.
209 Danforth Ave.
2171 Queen St. E.
2256 Bloor St. W.
2323 Yonge St.
Brookfield Place
Centerpoint Mall
Chinatown Centre
College Park
Commerce Court
Cumberland Terrace
Dufferin Mall
East York Town Centre
Eaton Centre
Eaton Centre II
Exchange Tower
Gerrard Square
Scotia Plaza
Toronto Life Square
Yorkdale (kiosk)

UXBRIDGE
307 Toronto St. S.

VAUGHAN
Vaughan Mills

WHITBY
Whitby Mall
Whitby Smart Centres

WILLOWDALE
Fairview Mall

WOODBRIDGE
4080 Highway 7

Offer ends Sept. 30, 2008. Available with compatible devices within Bell Mobility high speed mobile network coverage areas. Weeknights Mon-Thu, 9pm-7am; Weekends Fri 9pm-Mon 7am. Other monthly fees, i.e., e9-1-1 (75¢), system access (not a government fee; $8.95), and one-time device activation ($35) apply to each member. Long distance and roaming charges (including foreign taxes) may apply outside your local area. Upon early termination, price adjustment charges apply. Subject to change without notice; not combinable with other offers. Taxes extra. Other conditions apply. **(1)** Applies to long distance calls made from and to Canada, in Bell Mobility and its partners' coverage area. **(2)** Simultaneous use of airtime. **(3)** With new activation on a 3-yr. contract term. Applies to airtime for calls in your local calling area. **(4)** With upgrade or new simultaneous activations of a new phone of equal or greater value than the free phone on a 3-yr. contract term on a Share plan consisting of a prime and at least one additional member (max. of 5 members on the same account).

Soccer

Sergio Aguero scored twice to lead Argentina to a 3-0 win over Brazil and a berth in the Olympic men's final yesterday. Argentina will face Nigeria for the gold after the African nation won 4-1 over Belgium. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Beijing Games

EDITOR: JONATHAN P. KUEHLEIN, SPORTS@METRONEWS.CA

Van Koeverden betters his record

CANOE-KAYAK Canadian kayaker Adam van Koeverden cemented his status as the man to beat in the K-1 500 metres at the Beijing Games yesterday by shaving almost a tenth of a second off his previous world record mark.

The Oakville, Ont., native finished with a blistering time of one minute 35.554 seconds to advance to tomorrow's semifinals at the Shunyi Olympic Rowing-Canoeing Park.

Canadian men finally get a win

FIELD HOCKEY Wayne Fernandes of Mississauga and Connor Grimes of Duncan, B.C., each scored two goals as Canada closed out the preliminary round of the Olympic men's field hockey tournament with a 5-3 win over South Africa in Beijing.

Canada, which finished 1-3-1 in the preliminary round, will play Belgium today in the ninth-place game. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Medal count

Rank	Nation				Total
#1	U.S.	26	26	27	79
#2	China	43	14	19	76
#3	Russia	10	14	18	42
#4	Australia	11	12	12	35
#5	Britain	16	9	8	33
#6	France	4	11	14	29
#7	Germany	11	8	9	28
#8	South Korea	8	10	6	24
#9	Japan	8	6	8	22
#10	Italy	6	6	7	19
#11	Ukraine	5	4	8	17
#12	Netherlands	4	5	4	13
#13	Canada	2	6	5	13

(Count at the end of Day 11)

Despatie exceeds expectations

Canadian diver overcomes injury to snatch silver at Beijing Olympics

YorkReport

Marty York

marty.york@metronews.ca

OnlineVideos metronews.ca

Members of the Canadian Olympic Committee, who are responsible for anything and everything regarding this country's involvement in the Games, did not think diver Alexandre Despatie would win a medal in Beijing.

I know because, while preparing for Metro's coverage of the Olympics a few months ago, I picked the brains of several COC members in an effort to determine who Canadians could count on to garner medals during these Olympics. I took notes, of course, but I assured the members they wouldn't be identified, so they shared their thoughts.

"The obvious medal hopefuls," one of the COC voices told me, "are the men's eight rowing team and (kayaker) Adam van Koeverden. Brent Hayden is a world-class swimmer and we think he has a great chance, too. And we think Tyler Christopher has a shot in track."

"What about Despatie?" I asked. "He's a world champion."

"We don't think he can overcome his injury problems," came the reply. "He was probably our best bet before he got hurt, but we don't like his chances now."

So see what the COC saw?

It was bang-on about the men's eight and probably will be by the time van Koeverden is done this week, but Hayden and Christopher came up short.

And, despite a foot injury and back problems, Despatie finished second yesterday in the men's three-metre springboard in Beijing.

"I could sense people gave up on me," the 23-year-old Quebecer said. "I knew what they were thinking and I might have had the same opinion about myself if I didn't know myself so well. I knew I could bounce back."

Despatie fractured his right foot in April after kicking, of all things, a soccer ball. That caused him to miss seven weeks of training and prevented him from attending the Olympic diving trials. He qualified for the Olympics in early July, only after attending the Canadian junior national championships and proving his fitness to a panel of judges.

"I had to prove a lot to many people, but I never gave up hope on myself," Despatie said. "And, as far as I'm concerned, my silver medal is gold to me, because of all the bad things that happened to me this year."

Despatie's silver is one of 13 Canadian medals in Beijing, surpassing the 12 our nation won in Athens in 2004. There are more to come — van Koeverden almost certainly will ensure that — and, as the 2008 Olympics wind down, Canada's athletes really aren't doing too terribly.

They've even exceeded the expectations of their own governing body.

Marty York has been a groundbreaking sports columnist and broadcaster in Canada for decades.

Battling back from a broken foot suffered in April, Canada's Alexandre Despatie won a silver medal in the men's 3-metre diving competition yesterday in Beijing.

RICHARD LAUTENS/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Start a New Career Sooner Than You Think!

Business
Honours Business Administration
Accounting & Payroll Administration
Administrative Assistant
Office Administrator
Travel & Tourism

Law
Police Foundations
Paralegal
Law Clerk + Internship

Technology
Network Engineer + Internship
Network Specialist (MCSE or Multi OS)
Video Game Design & Development + Internship *NEW*

Healthcare
Physiotherapist Assistant
Pharmacy Technician
Community Services Worker + Internship
Medical Office Assistant + Internship

CLASSES NOW ENROLLING
CALL TODAY TO LEARN MORE
1-888-894-1384
Financial Assistance available for those who qualify.
Ask triOS College for details when you call.
Toronto Campus: 425 Bloor St. E. Suite 200
Oshawa Campus: 360 King St. West
Mississauga Campus: 55 City Centre Dr. Suite 200
www.mytrios.ca

triOS COLLEGE BUSINESS • TECHNOLOGY • HEALTHCARE

JOIN OUR UNIQUE GLOBAL REACH BY PICKING UP YOUR METRO DAILY.

Young. Active. Well-educated.

metronews.ca

metro Do it daily.

We believe in living large, not spending large.

Add to select voice plans:

$15 /month*
UNLIMITED
- Personal email
- Instant messaging

or

$30 /month*
UNLIMITED
- Personal email
- Instant messaging
- Web

TELUS
the future is friendly®

TELUS STORES & AUTHORIZED DEALERS

TORONTO

150 Bloor St. W
Bayview Village Shopping Centre
Bloor West Village
Dufferin Mall
Eglinton Square Shopping Centre
Fairview Mall
Gerrard Square
Royal Bank Plaza
Toronto Eaton Centre
Woodbine Centre
Yorkdale Mall
York Lanes (York University)
2187 Queen St. E (The Beach)
2501 Yonge St. (at Castlefield)
155 - 720 King St. W
464 Danforth Ave.
199 Bay St. (Commerce Court)
130 King St. W
363 Front St. W (City Place)
5015 Yonge St.
5 - 500 Church St.
3 - 2610 Weston Rd.
1006 St. Clair Ave. W
25 Davenport Rd.

WEST

Burlington Mall
Mapleview Mall
Milton Crossroads Centre

Brampton
Bramalea City Centre
Shoppers World
60 Great Lakes Dr. (inside Home Depot)
2880 Queen St. E (Hwy. 7 & Airport Rd.)
10 - 80 Pertosa Dr.

Mississauga
Dixie Outlet Mall
Erin Mills Town Centre
Heartland Town Centre
Square One
Winston Churchill & 401
Woodchester Plaza
6535B Mississauga Rd.
G16 - 3024 Hurontario St.
1A - 1370 Dundas St. E
9 - 34 Bristol Rd. E
2 - 4920 Tomken Rd.
101 - 6200 Dixie Rd.

Oakville
Oakville Place
RioCan Burloak
299 Lakeshore Rd. E
18 - 2501 Third Line
D3 - 2335 Trafalgar Rd.
760 Pacific Rd.

NORTH

Maple
3 - 10019 Keele St.

Markham
Georgian Mall
Markville Shopping Centre
Pacific Mall
Upper Canada Mall
21 - 95 Royal Crest Crt.

Richmond Hill
Hillcrest Shopping Centre
4 - 11005 Yonge St.
6 - 25 West Beaver Creek Rd.
9301 Bathurst St.

Thornhill
Promenade Mall
7171 Yonge St.
8117 Yonge St.

Vaughan
Vaughan Mills Outlet Mall
3 - 4000 Hwy. 7

Woodbridge
A7 - 4220 Steeles Ave. W

EAST

Ajax
RioCan Durham

Oshawa
Harmony Plaza
Oshawa Centre
27 - 1414 King St. E

Whitby
Brock & Taunton Power Centre

For more details on these great offers, visit your TELUS store, authorized dealer or retailer, visit telusmobility.com or call 1-866-264-2966.

FUTURE SHOP BEST BUY WAL*MART CELLULAPOINT

Offers available until November 4, 2008. *Available as an add-on to voice rate plans with a plan rate of $30 or greater on PDA smartphones (with TELUS mobile email only) and BlackBerry® smartphones (with BlackBerry Internet Service only). Unlimited instant messaging available with Windows Live Messenger on PDA smartphones only and BlackBerry Messenger on BlackBerry smartphones only. Any usage incurred through a laptop/computer will be charged at $8/MB. Cannot be combined with any other data plan. †Available as an add-on to voice rate plans with a plan rate of $30 or greater on PDA smartphones and BlackBerry smartphones (with BlackBerry Internet Service only). Any usage incurred through a laptop/computer will be charged at $8/MB. Cannot be combined with any other data plan. TELUS, the TELUS logo and the future is friendly are trademarks of TELUS Corporation. The BlackBerry smartphone and RIM families of related marks, images and symbols are the exclusive properties of and trademarks of or registered trademarks of Research In Motion Limited – used by permission. Yahoo is a registered trademark of Yahoo! Canada Co. © TELUS 2008.

Baseball

Brooks McNiven of Vancouver, left, allowed one hit over six innings as Canada (2-4) briefly kept their playoff hopes alive with a 4-0 win over the Netherlands yesterday in Beijing. But wins later in the day by Japan and the U.S. eliminated the Canadians from the medal round. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Beijing Games

Burnett flips out over silver

Local not fretting questionable judging after medalling in trampoline

Not to be flip about it, but Canada got bounced out of gold in trampoline yesterday.

Pipped at the post by China again, and this time home field advantage may have had something to do with the outcome.

Exhibit A: Jason Burnett, with a 16.8 degree of difficulty in his 10-trick routine, hardest program in the field, certainly riskiest, particularly that double layout with four twists — going backwards.

Exhibit B: Lu Chunlong, with a 16.2 degree of difficulty, nice but not especially notable.

Must have picked up lots of form points, however, to seize gold, the "execution" part of trampoline a totally subjective judgment, in front of an audience that might not have accepted anything less. Own the podium indeed.

Burnett, the 21-year-old Etobicoke resident, was second out of the chute yesterday, scoring 40.70. Lu, top qualifier, got up on the apparatus last and came down with 41.00.

No matter, really. Burnett was over the moon about his silver medal.

"That rocks! That was awesome!" Burnett crowed after climbing down from the second-step podium.

He would not be drawn into any unsportsmanlike commentary about the scoring or the hypothesis that he'd been jobbed. "Some people might think so, but I can't say."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Etobicoke's Jason Burnett jumped to Canada's second silver in trampoline in as many days yesterday in Beijing. Toronto's Karen Cockburn won the first on Monday.

Photo finish nets medal for Lopes-Schliep

ATHLETICS Canada's Priscilla Lopes-Schliep won the bronze medal in the women's 100-metre hurdles at the Beijing Olympics yesterday.

The 25-year-old from Whitby, Ont., raced to a time of 12.64 seconds in a packed 91,000-seat Bird's Nest stadium.

Lopes-Schliep

"I feel like I've jumped out of my body, went to heaven and back," Lopes-Schliep said. "This is a huge accomplishment, it went by so fast and here I am with a medal."

Dawn Harper of the United States won gold while Sally McLellan of Australia took silver.

It took a while to sort out the medal picture. McLellan and Lopes-Schliep both finished in 12.64 while Damu Cherry of the United States and Delloreen Ennis-London finished in 12.65, resulting in a photo finish.

It was Canada's first track medal since the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta, where Donovan Bailey won gold in the 100 metres and the men's 4x100 relay team also finished first.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

RYAN REMIORZ/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Simon Whitfield

Whitfield gets silver to go with his gold

TRIATHLON This was more prize fight than triathlon race, an epic battle where Canada's Simon Whitfield kept getting off the canvas when it looked like they'd be counting him out.

Whitfield delivered a race for the ages in Beijing yesterday, one where he left every ounce on the course, manufacturing a silver medal as good as gold by using smarts, fitness and mental toughness.

Remarkably, eight years after he was the fresh-faced kid who knocked off the world at the Sydney Games, he's proved once again he remains solidly among the sport's elite, missing the gold medal by just five seconds behind German Jan Frodeno.

The question that remains is: Could he possibly keep it up through the 2012 London Olympics when he'll be 37?

"Oh, definitely. I love this," he said. "I just love doing it. We have to find more balance in our lives, with my wife's priorities and what's important to her, time for our daughter, but I want to bring (daughter) Pippa and whoever else comes along to London. I love doing this. I will have a hard time retiring."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

APOTEX INC.
CANADA'S PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY

Apotex Inc. is currently **RECRUITING** *for healthy men and women to participate in our* ***weekend & weekday*** *studies on pharmaceutical products.*

Are you a Healthy Person?

Are you between 18-55 years of age?
If so, then we want to hear from you.

If you are not currently taking any prescription medication, then you may qualify!

(Females on birth control pills may qualify)
(Smokers will be considered only for studies where smoking is permitted.)

YOU WILL BE PAID upon completion of the study

1-877-APO-CLNC

For more information please give us a call: (416)741-4256 or 1-877-276-2562
(Hours: 8:30am to 5:00pm Mon. to Fri. and 8:30am to 2:30pm Sat.)
Email: clinicalrecruitment@apotex.ca

website: www.apotex.ca

Anapharm sets the standard in offering high quality services in the clinical research field, all while ensuring the comfort, respect and safety of our volunteers.

Over 10 years of experience

To find out how to participate call us today. Our team of experts will help you find a study that's appropriate for you.

anapharm
a PharmaNet company

Monday to Friday: 8:00 am to 9:00 pm
Saturday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
Contact number: 1-866-ANAPHARM (1-866-262-7427)
www.anapharm.com
Our brand new clinical facility is conveniently located at the York Mills Subway Station.

26099_0818

TODAY IS A GOOD DAY TO SURPRISE A FRIEND...
Take Five daily, to find out what your horoscope says.
metronews.ca
metro Do it daily.

Automotive

A METRO JOINT VENTURE WITH: carguide magazine.com

EDITOR: KUMAR SAHA, KUMAR.SAHA@METRONEWS.CA

VW's tempting Tiguan

Cute-ute has built-in style

MARK ATKINSON
for Metro Canada

VW's Tiguan is aimed squarely at CUV competitors such as Honda and Toyota.

Based on the same platform that underpins the Rabbit and Jetta, Volkswagen's Tiguan is a compact five-passenger crossover aimed squarely at Honda's CR-V, the Nissan Rogue and Toyota's RAV4.

Size-wise, the "Tig" is actually quite compact, looking smaller than a CR-V. Blacked-out door pillars help lend a sporty theme to its smart styling, while all models come with a small roof spoiler and front fog lamps.

Inside, the styling takes a bit of a turn away from previous VW efforts by using circular vents, knobs and other controls rather than the squared-off look in the company's Passat, Jetta and Touareg models. Material use is class leading as well, with good ergonomics and plenty of useful storage spots. Even the front passenger seat folds flat to accommodate long items.

As with the conventions set with the rest of the Volkswagen lineup, there are three versions of the Tiguan: Trendline, Comfortline and Highline.

Trendline is the only version available with a six-speed manual transmission and/or front-wheel-drive, and starts at $27,575. It's well-equipped with power everything, heated mirrors, 16-inch wheels, 40/20/20 split folding/sliding rear seats, eight-way adjustable front seats, audio auxiliary input, climate control, cruise control, an electronic parking brake and floor mats. Adding the six-speed automatic hikes the price to $28,975, while opting for the 4Motion (all-wheel-drive) model takes the total to $30,975.

Next up is the Comfortline, which at $33,975 includes upgrades like 17-inch wheels, power driver's seat, black roof rails, heated front seats and washer nozzles, leather-wrapped steering wheel and shift knob, trip computer, snazzier cloth seating, panoramic sunroof and privacy glass.

The loaded $38,375 Highline brings 18-inch wheels, 12-way power seats with memory, auto-dimming interior mirror, automatic bi-xenon headlights, more bright trim, dual-zone climate control, leather seats and more.

Under the hood is VW's familiar 2.0-litre, turbocharged, four-cylinder with a 200-horsepower output. Fuel economy is decent as well: 11.6 L/100 km city and 8.3 L/100 km highway.

The Tiguan's suspension follows its Rabbit/Jetta platform mates, delivering a good balance between athletic reactions and quiet isolation with decent reflexes when needed.

Safety ranks above average for the class, with ABS, stability control and tire-pressure monitoring on all models. Six airbags (front, front-side and full-length curtain) are standard as well, although VW makes you pay separately for rear-seat side airbags.

2008 VW Tiguan

Type: Compact 5-pass. SUV FWD
Price: $27,575
Engine: 2.0L L4 DOHC Turbo
HP: 200 @ 5,100 rpm
Torque: 206 @ 1,700 rpm

Highlights

- Style and substance in a tidy package
- Power output
- All-wheel drive available
- Athletic reactions
- Standard safety equipment

Inside, the styling takes a bit of a turn away from previous VW efforts by using circular vents, knobs and other controls rather than the squared-off look in the company's Passat, Jetta and Touareg models.

Silent killer on road

Driving safety experts call driver fatigue a silent killer and in a sense, that is just what it is.

Fatigue operates in much the same way as alcohol. Drivers who are slightly tired won't drive as well or as safely as those who are alert. As tiredness increases, mental and physical performance drops until eventually the driver falls asleep.

Research suggests that one in five highway crashes are related to driver fatigue, although statistics are limited: Drivers who are tired are seldom willing to admit it and those who crash can be too badly injured to recall the events leading to the collision.

But it is clear there are far too many crashes arising from driver fatigue.

Staying alert

- Although fatigue is unavoidable, especially on long road trips, there are a number of simple steps you can take to reduce the problem:
- Get plenty of rest before a long journey, don't drive if you feel tired, or unwell.
- Adjust the driver's seat to a comfortable upright position and adjust the heating/air-conditioning to a cool, not cold, temperature.
- Try to avoid driving during the night when you would normally be asleep.
- Get out of your vehicle and walk around at the breaks, don't just sit in the seat.

NO MORE WATCHING THE CLOCK

UNLIMITED
MINUTES PER CALL
10-10-62

Dial 10-10-620 before your long distance number and talk unlimited to Canada, U.S., China and other countries* for only $1.00!

Visit www.telehop.com/1010620 or call 1-888-882-6265 for great rates to other countries.

*Some conditions apply.

Another smart alternative from Telehop™

Taurus returns, better than ever

Ford sedan perfect combination of space, style and efficiency

B. MCLAUCHLAN
for Metro Canada

Don't go worrying yourself if you think this "new" Taurus looks kinda familiar — you're heading in the right direction. That's because what you see here is a substantially revised version of Ford's former Five Hundred full-size sedan.

A couple years ago, shortly after a new CEO landed at Ford's Dearborn headquarters, the "last" Taurus rolled out of the automaker's Atlanta plant and the Five Hundred inherited the lead role in Ford's sedan lineup.

Despite its understated appeal, the Five Hundred didn't exactly make waves. So, in one of his first major moves, Ford's new honcho ordered the Five Hundred be totally reworked and the company's hallowed nameplate placed on it. Five hundred changes later, the 2008 Taurus was born.

All in all, it's a noticeably improved car compared with the old "Fiver."

That signature tri-bar grille up front is a focal point, nicely bridging the sleek, sculpted hood and shapely bumper. A chrome "vent" on each front fender makes the Taurus as recognizable from the side as it is from the front. And new tail lamps bookend a strong horizontal treatment highlighted by a shining pair of chrome-tipped exhaust pipes.

The Taurus comes four ways. The very well-equipped base Taurus SEL starts at $29,645 in front-wheel-drive form, but if you prefer the extra traction and security of the SEL with all-wheel drive that calls for a $31,870 entry fee.

There's also a more richly rigged Taurus Limited, identified externally by its chrome door handles, side mirror accents and eyebrow above the rear licence plate. The two-wheel-drive Taurus in Limited trim begins at $35,252 while the all-wheel drive version carries a $37,922 sticker price.

A true full-size sedan, the Taurus is a roomy, refined and refreshing prospect that may change the way you look at an SUV from now on.

After a week with our loaded all-wheel-drive Limited model, which stickered at around $45,000, we'd say the upgrades to this reborn Taurus were a success.

The key change is a new 3.5-litre V6 that replaces the previous 3.0-litre Duratec six. Horsepower jumps by 60 to 263 hp, with a similarly substantial bump in the torque department top that helps deliver better off-the-line performance. Simply put, there's now enough power going through the standard six-speed automatic transmission to move out this new five-seat sedan respectfully.

Note, too, that by today's standards this is a rare, proper, full-size family sedan, with a capital "F."

The Taurus is only 24 cm shorter than the old Mercury Grand Marquis model and actually has more trunk volume — by a healthy 17 litres.

A 20 per cent quieter interior, improved front suspension travel (which translates into better ride comfort) and Ford's groundbreaking hi-tech Sync communications and entertainment system all add to the overall appeal. Additional front side airbags and Ford's Safety Canopy side curtain airbags for both seat rows are standard.

2008 Ford Taurus Limited AWD

Type: Full-size 5-pass. sedan AWD
Price: $37,922
Engine: 3.5L V6 DOHC
HP: 263 @ 6,250 rpm
Torque: 249 @ 4,500 rpm

Highlights

- Crisp fashionable styling
- Quieter interior
- Improved performance
- Generous trunk room
- Safety protection

The Big Wish Sales Event
Make your wish come true, from only $15,300*.
$0 $0 $0
City Golf/City Jetta
$0 down payment**
$0 security deposit**
$0 first monthly payment**
$750 rebate for recent graduates†
The joy of German engineering has never been so affordable.
Take advantage of a 8-speaker MP3 stereo with USB port, 4-wheel disc brakes with ABS, dual front impact airbags, and more. The City Golf and the City Jetta at this kind of price is a rare event. So don't let one slip through your fingers. Visit your Volkswagen dealer or vw.ca for more details.
vw.ca

*MSRP of $15,300/$16,900 for 2008 City Golf / City Jetta base models with manual transmission. Freight and PDI of $1,335, PPSA, license, insurance, registration, dealer charges, options, and applicable taxes are extra. Dealer may sell for less. **First monthly payment free up to a maximum of $250 for City Golf / City Jetta (taxes included – no cash value). $0 security deposit and $0 down payment offered only on new and in stock 2008 City Golf / City Jetta leased through Volkswagen Finance. Monthly payment of $221/$226 for 48 months based on 3.9%/1.5% lease APR. Freight and PDI of $1,335 included. PPSA, license, insurance, registration, dealer charges, options, and applicable taxes are extra. Limited time lease offer available through Volkswagen Finance on approved credit. MSRP for City Golf / City Jetta as shown is $18,671/$20,503 with Bravo/Siata accessory wheels. $0.12/km over 80,000 km charged at lease end. At participating Volkswagen dealerships only. Offer ends September 2, 2008 and is subject to change or cancellation without notice. Supplies limited. See dealer for details. †$750 rebate for recent college or university graduates. Certain conditions apply. "Volkswagen", the Volkswagen logo, "Golf" and "Jetta" are registered trademarks of Volkswagen AG. © 2008 Volkswagen Canada.

SATURN

Built in Europe. Priced for Canada.

Take advantage of our best offers of the year on the European-designed ASTRA now!

2008 Saturn ASTRA™ 5-door XR model shown

AJAC Award Winner, Best New Small Car | Automobile Journalists Association of Canada

MOTORING 2008, Car of the Year

2008 SATURN ASTRA 5-DOOR XE

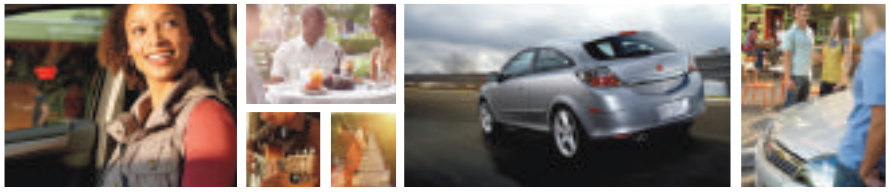
FINANCE RATE OF **0%**Δ FOR **72** MOS.

CASH PURCHASE PRICE, STARTING AT $17,150‡

OWN FOR ONLY $198¥/MONTH

PLUS

SAVE 20¢ PER LITRE ON 2,500 LITRES▼



The ALL-NEW Saturn ASTRA: European style matched only by its outstanding fuel efficiency.

HWY - 6.1 L/100 KM (46 MPG)° CITY - 8.5 L/100 KM (33 MPG)°

THE SPORT COMPACT THAT GETS EVERYTHING RIGHT… AND COMES STANDARD WITH:

- European sport-tuned suspension
- 1.8 L, 138 Horsepower, ECOTEC® engine
- RainSense™ wipers
- OnStar® In-vehicle Communications System with 1-year Safe and Sound Package
- 6 standard airbags

WITH FEATURES NOT AVAILABLE AS STANDARD ON A HONDA CIVIC AND MAZDA3 GX, SUCH AS:

- 6-speaker stereo
- Power Door Locks with Remote Keyless Entry
- Cruise Control
- Saturn Promise/5-year/160,000 km Powertrain Component Limited Warranty¶

THE SATURN PROMISE

5-YEAR OR 160,000 KM POWERTRAIN COMPONENT LIMITED WARRANTY¶ COURTESY TRANSPORTATION AND ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE^

NO-HASSLE EXPERIENCE | 30-DAY VEHICLE EXCHANGE†

Your Experience begins at **saturncanada.com**

STUDENT BONUS.ca

Let Saturn Canada make your first two finance payments.£

Car Heaven — where old cars unite in a good cause

REWARD YOURSELF BY GIVING UP YOUR OLD CAR. Get $750 off an eligible new Saturn vehicle when you send your old car to a better place. Visit carheaven.ca or visit your local Saturn Retailer for details.♦

SATURN

Saturn of Brampton	Saturn of Mississauga	Budds' Saturn Saab	Roy Foss Saturn Saab of Thornhill	Saturn Saab on the Queensway Ltd.	Roy Foss Saturn Saab of Leaside	Saturn of Woodbridge	Saturn Saab of Pickering
8046 Dixie Road	Erin Mills Auto Centre	2400 South Service Road West	7200 Yonge Street	1652 The Queensway	957 Eglinton Ave. East	33 Auto Park Circle	980 Kingston Road
Brampton (905) 796-7960	Mississauga (905) 607-7799	Oakville (905) 845-1610	Thornhill (905) 764-0764	Toronto (416) 253-5008	Toronto (416) 422-1100	Woodbridge (905) 850-9909	Pickering (905) 839-6159

¶The 2008 vehicle's Powertrain components are covered by a limited Powertrain warranty for up to 5 years or 160,000 km, whichever comes first. See Retailer for details and conditions on limited warranty and customer assistance/service features. ^Coverage for up to 5 years or 160,000 km, whichever comes first. †Within the first 30 days or 2,500 km of delivery, whichever comes first. You should know this: ‡,¥Freight ($1,300) on a 2008 Saturn ASTRA 5-Door XE not included. Air tax ($100) if applicable, taxes, license, insurance, registration, administration fees, fees associated with publication/filing at the movable property registry/PPSA, duties, and optional equipment extra. PDI included. Retailers are free to set individual prices. Retailer order or trade may be necessary. Offers apply as indicated to a new 2008 Saturn ASTRA 5-Door XE and apply to qualified retail and eligible fleet customers in the Ontario Marketing Association Area only. Time-limited offers; subject to change without notice. See your Retailer, visit saturncanada.com or call 1-888-4SATURN for conditions and details. ΔFinancing on approved GMAC credit only. Down payment, trade or security deposit may be required. Monthly payment and cost of borrowing will vary depending on amount borrowed and down payment/trade. Example for a representative credit agreement: $10,000 at 0.0% APR, the monthly payment is $139 for 72 months. Cost of borrowing is $0. Total obligation is $10,000. Monthly payment of $198 based on purchase price of $17,150 for a 2008 Saturn ASTRA 5-Door XE with $1,900 down payment. Financing offer applies to qualified retail and eligible fleet customers only. °Fuel efficiency data was determined using approved EnerGuide ratings. £On approved GMAC credit only. See Retailer for details. ♦Donated vehicles must be licensed and insured for the previous consecutive 6-month period. For eligibility requirements, visit carheaven.ca. ▼With purchase or lease of virtually all 2008 new or demonstrator models delivered from Retailer stock between June 19, 2008 and September 2, 2008, and with payment of an additional $0.01, customers receive a Preferred Price™ gas savings card, redeemable for $0.20 per litre savings on 2,500 L of motor fuel. The $0.20 savings includes applicable taxes. Cards valid as of 72 hours after delivery. Cards valid only at participating Petro-Canada locations (and other approved North Atlantic Petroleum locations in Newfoundland) and not redeemable for cash. GM reserves the right to amend or terminate these offers and/or the programs for any reason, in whole or in part, at any time without notice. ™Trademark of Petro-Canada. Used under license. OnStar is a trademark of OnStar Corporation. ©2008 Saturn Corporation. Saturn and its logos and vehicle names are trademarks or registered trademarks of Saturn Corporation. All Rights Reserved.

Finding Mr. Dependable

KATE CARRAWAY
for Metro Canada

Student buyers should look at basic Honda models, Mitsubishi, Hyundai and Ford. None are particularly glamorous options, but they all beat the industry average.

There are plenty of good reasons to choose a particular vehicle when you're car shopping.

But for the many students from the GTA commuting to school, usually from the outlying suburbs and cities around Toronto to the University of Toronto, Ryerson, commuter-heavy York University, or one of the local colleges, dependability becomes a crucial element.

No one needs the added panic of a burned-out battery that strikes in a parking lot en route to an exam.

When this happened to me in my student days, my dad was enlisted to help me out, which he did at the cost of a long lecture about always turning off the headlights.

In a recent J.D. Power and Associates 2008 survey of long-term vehicle reliability, the usual, high-end suspects are named as the most reliable cars available.

This is great news for buyers seeking the best possible reliability, but the luxury brands topping the list, especially Lexus, Cadillac and Acura, are hardly an accessible choice for the average student, many of whom work only part time, if at all, and need a lot of value from a car. Owning wheels shouldn't compromise a student's tuition savings just to ensure a reliable trip to class.

These student buyers should look at more basic Honda models, Mitsubishi, Hyundai, and Ford. None are particularly glamorous options, but they all beat the industry average identified by J.D. Power.

Another tried-and-true option for budget-strapped student shoppers with dependability in mind include used models of the better, more dependable cars. Honda and Toyota are both big sellers in Canada, and a vehicle with a few years on it would suit the needs of most commuting students.

Of every car I've been behind the wheel of, I most loved my used Toyota Corolla, which proved to be as hard-working and reliable as I was irresponsible for its upkeep.

Great design and style, the best possible stereo, and a sweet deal are all on the list of what students want from a car.

And, when purchasing some brands, savings can sometimes be had based on student status.

But when you rely on your car to ferry you from home to the library to work to the lecture hall and back, reputation and safety are probably the most crucial factors. That said, if someone else is funding the purchase, why not try them on the Lexus first?

High-end Lexus topped a recent dependability survey done by J.D. Power and Associates.

Porsche's Boxster S.

Porsche unveils new roadster

BOXSTER Porsche has revealed a new limited edition Boxster S model, the Design Edition 2. Due here in October, there will be 500 of the roadsters, each one with a glovebox badge depicting its number in the series.

You can spot the $85,500 Design Edition 2 Boxsters by their Carrera White paint job and white 19-inch wheels, along with grey exterior stripes and convertible top, black leather upholstery and white instrument dials.

There's also a matching men's wristwatch available from the Porsche Design Dashboard Collection, designed in conjunction with the Boxster.

HOT! HOT! HOT! SALE at Mississauga Honda
... Making a Difference!
LAST CHANCE – 2008 MODELS ONLY
You may be eligible for a $1,000 rebate
From the Government of Canada's ecoAUTO Rebate Program
Purchase Financing AS LOW AS 0.9%† FOR 48 MONTHS O.A.C.
ON SELECT HONDA MODELS
$2,000 HONDA DOLLARS
CIVIC DX $16,990 MSRP
LEASE FOR $198# @ LEASE APR 1.9%£
WITH $0 DOWN
Civic DX Sedan model FA1528EX
Odyssey DX model RL3818E
ACCORD LX $25,090 MSRP
LEASE FOR $298# @ LEASE APR 2.9%£
PER MONTH FOR 48 MONTHS WITH $2,455 DOWN ON APPROVED CREDIT
$1,000 HONDA DOLLARS
NO CHARGE Navigation with Bluetooth® HandsFreeLink® Upgrade on all EX-L Models.††
Honda Satellite-Linked Navigation System™ with Bilingual Voice Recognition. Responds to 745 voice commands!
Accord LX Sedan model CP2538E
ODYSSEY DX $31,490 MSRP
LEASE FOR $338# @ LEASE APR 1.9%£
PER MONTH FOR 48 MONTHS WITH $4,552 DOWN ON APPROVED CREDIT
HURRY IN FOR GREAT SIZZLING DEALS!
Mississauga Honda ... Making a Difference!
2380 Motorway Blvd.
www.mississaugahonda.com
1-800-717-0992
403
Winston Churchill
Mississauga Honda
Motorway Blvd
Erin Mills Auto Centre
Dundas
Erin Mills
Erin Mills Auto Super Centre CANADA'S BIGGEST
HONDA

#Limited time lease offers based on new 2008 Honda models. Lease examples based on new 2008 Civic Sedan DX, model FA1528EX / 2008 Accord Sedan LX, model CP2538E / 2008 Odyssey DX, model RL3818E available through Honda Financial Services on approved credit. £1.9% / 2.9% / 1.9% lease APR for 60 / 48 / 48 months. Monthly payment is $198 / $298 / $338 with $0 / $2,455.23 / $4,552.13 down payment or equivalent trade, $1,295 / $1,390 / $1,540 freight and PDI, first monthly payment and $0 / $0 / $0 security deposit due at lease inception. Total lease obligation is $13,424.40 / $19,738.40 / $18,937.93 / $23,477.03. Taxes, license, insurance and registration are extra. 120,000 / 96,000 / 96,000 / 96,000 kilometre allowance; charge of $0.12/km for excess kilometres. Retailer may lease for less. Retailer order / trade may be necessary. †Limited time financing offers based on new 2008 Honda models. Finance example based on new 2008 CR-V LX 2WD, model RE3838E available through Honda Financial Services on approved credit. ‡MSRP is $27,790 plus $1,540 freight and PDI, financed at 0.9% APR equals $622.34 per month for 48 months. Cost of borrowing is $542.10 for a total obligation of $29,872.10. Taxes, license, insurance and registration are extra. Retailer may sell for less. Retailer order / trade may be necessary. ∑$1,000 / $1,000 / $2,000 Honda Dollars offer available on new 2008 CR-V / Accord / Odyssey models. $1,000 / $1,000 / $2,000 Honda Dollars offer includes GST, PST, HST, QST where applicable. ††Value of Navigation System and Bluetooth® HandsFreeLink® upgrade is $2,800, which is the difference between the MSRP of a new 2008 Honda Accord EX-L Sedan (Model CP2588JN) and a new 2008 Honda Accord EX-L Sedan Navigation Package (Model CP2588KN). No charge Honda Navigation Package offer on vehicles purchased by August 31st, 2008. May not be combined with any other offers. #/£/†/∑/††Offers valid from August 1st, 2008 through August 31st, 2008 at Mississauga Honda. Offers subject to change or cancellation without notice. See Mississauga Honda for full details. You may be eligible for the Government of Canada's ecoAUTO Rebate Program. 2008 Civic models with 1.8L engine and manual transmission qualify for a $1,000 rebate. For more details, visit www.ecoaction.gc.ca

RBC Royal Bank®

Switch now – offer ends September 12th!

GET AN ASUS Eee PC* FOR THE PRICE OF THIS PAPER.

Meg is all about getting free stuff. And a FREE* ASUS Eee PC really rocks!
updated 31 minutes ago
› Switching couldn't be easier

Actual screen size 7"

Switch to the RBC Signature No Limit Banking® account†. Get a FREE* ASUS Eee PC.

› 3 non-RBC ATM transactions refunded per month** › Unlimited banking transactions › Free overdraft protection†† › Free personal cheques
› No minimum balance required › and more › It's easier than ever with CustomSwitch®

Visit your nearest RBC® branch today!

Learn more: **www.rbc.com/simple** or call **1-866-719-2912**

For complete offer details, visit www.rbc.com/simple
Royal Bank of Canada reserves the right to modify, extend or end the promotion in its absolute discretion at any time without notice.

† Account fees apply. * Some conditions apply. Limit one ASUS Eee PC per client and/or per account. ** ATM operator surcharge (also called a convenience fee) may apply. †† Monthly fee waived. Overdraft interest charge applies if used. Subject to credit approval. When an account is overdrawn, clients are required to make a deposit at least once a month. Eee PC will be sent to the primary account holder only. Cannot be combined with any other offer. Limited time offer while quantities last. Account and card must be open and active until Dec. 31, 2008. ® Registered trademarks of Royal Bank of Canada. RBC and Royal Bank are registered trademarks of Royal Bank of Canada. ASUS is a registered trademark of ASUSTeK Computer International. Eee PC is a trademark or registered trademark of ASUSTeK Computer International or its subsidiaries in the United States and other countries. Used under licence. All other trademarks are the property of their respective owner(s).

Ford's eyesight to blind spot

In a move to address driver demands for increased visibility Ford has pushed ahead by one year its innovative Blind Spot mirror, making it standard equipment on the 2009 Edge model.

The mirror offers better visibility for drivers as they change lanes or parallel park.

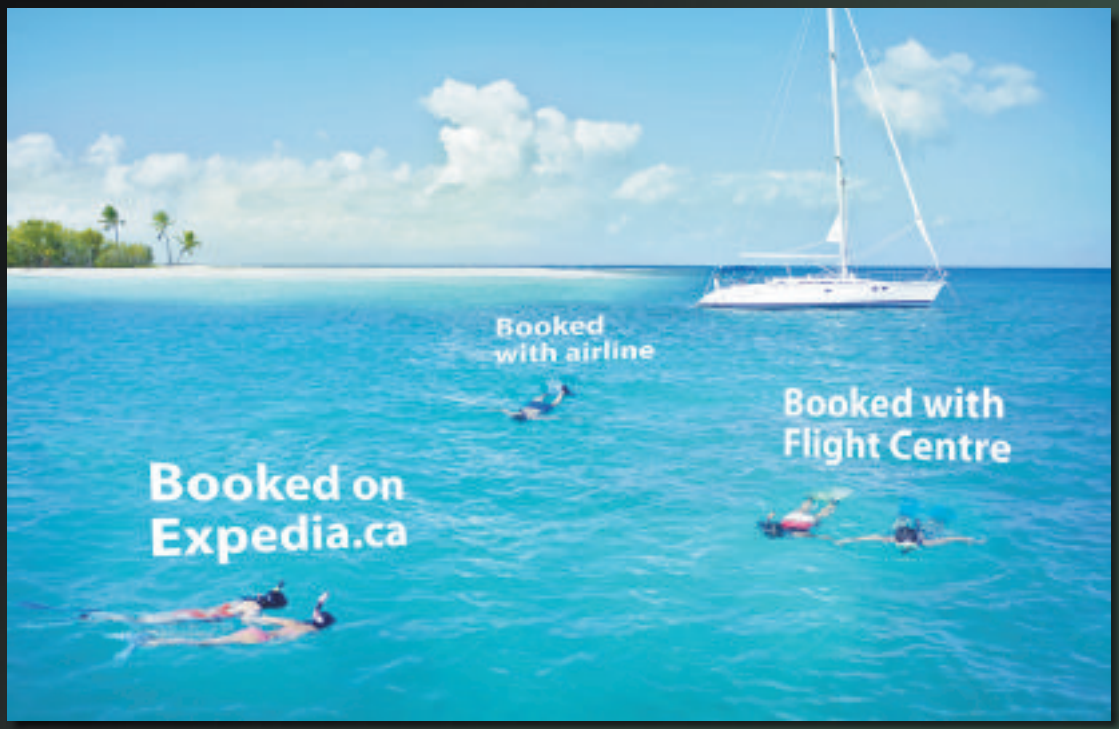
This affordable technology will debut later this year and eventually will be offered on several future Ford and Lincoln vehicles as standard equipment.

The Blind Spot Mirror is a traditional side view mirror designed with a secondary convex spotter in the top outer corner, which provides a view of the driver's blind spot. When traffic enters the driver's blind spot on either side of the vehicle, it is visible in the secondary convex mirror, alerting the driver of potential danger.

The push to develop the Blind Spot Mirror and migrate it across its lineup comes as a result of careful customer research, said Kelly Kohlstrand with Ford's Advanced Product Marketing and Technology Planning team.

Ford will be making its innovative Blind Spot Mirror standard equipment on the 2009 Edge model.

The ALL-NEW TD First Class Travel *Visa Infinite** Card



Unlike other points cards, we let you book any way you want.

The new TD First Class Travel *Visa Infinite* Card is making it easier than ever to get the trip you want using TD Points. Just find a vacation. Any vacation. Unlike other cards, it could be a trip you book on a travel website like Expedia.ca,™ through a travel agent like Flight Centre, or a seat sale with any airline. When we say any vacation, we mean any vacation. Just book it on your TD First Class Travel *Visa* Card, and then redeem your points.[1] It's the way every travel rewards card should work. So sign up today, and get 20,000 Bonus TD Points upon approval.[2] Then travel any way you want, to anywhere you want, any time you want.

TD VISA

20,000 BONUS TD POINTS UPON APPROVAL

Visit a TD Canada Trust branch • 1-877-483-8056 • tdfirstclass.com/travel

1. To redeem TD Points for travel purchases charged to your Card that are not booked through the TD *Visa* Travel Rewards Centre (the "Centre"), Cardholder must contact the Centre after the travel purchase has been posted to the Account and within 90 days from the transaction date of the travel purchase. The required TD Points will be redeemed from the TD Points balance available on the date TD Points are redeemed for the travel purchase, not the transaction date of the travel purchase. The amount that will be credited towards the travel purchase will be equal to the value of the TD Points redeemed. If there are insufficient TD Points available to cover the entire amount of the travel purchase, the Account will only be credited by the value of the TD Points redeemed. Any amount of the travel purchase not covered by the TD Points redeemed will remain on the Account for payment. TD Points must be redeemed in 10,000-point increments. 2. Bonus TD Points will be awarded to the new Account upon approval. Offer applies to new Accounts only. Offer may be changed, extended or withdrawn at any time without notice. Cannot be combined with any other offer. *Visa International Service Association/Used under license. Expedia.ca is a registered trademark of Expedia, Inc.

GM Flexes electric muscle

Sometimes a promising project that stalls prematurely can still pay off in the long run. Take GM's foray into the world of electric cars in the 1990s.

An inconvenient truth that you won't hear Al Gore talking about any time soon is that General Motors has put many of the engineers involved in its long-abandoned EV-1 electric car project into a new group to develop what it calls E-Flex technology.

E-Flex is the hybrid powertrain shown in the Chevrolet Volt concept car that's now the subject of a big push to bring it to production within two to three years. It employs an electric drive motor and a lithium-ion battery pack and has a small combustion engine on board to charge the batteries and extend the car's range.

GM is betting big on going the E-Flex route, which veteran product guru Bob Lutz predicts could account for a million cars a year in 10 years' time. The new team of some 500 engineers — many of whom worked on EV-1 until the project was scrapped in 1999 — is an indication of the importance that GM now places on electric cars in the future. It has decided to bring more of the electric vehicle technology in-house.

Lutz said, "The whole battery pack — cell chemistry, pack construction, control and monitoring systems — is new core knowledge for the auto industry. We see mainstream cars rapidly transitioning to electrification."

"The whole battery pack is new core knowledge for the auto industry. We see mainstream cars rapidly transitioning to electrification."
Product guru Bob Lutz

Turtle tale
Xcaret Park on the Mayan Riviera is celebrating its sea turtle conservation program with a kid-friendly exhibit called 15 Years of Sea Turtles, Xcaret, 1993-2008. The program has protected and released more than 1,900 turtles. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Travel

Comfy pet travel

Travel can be stressful for many dogs and cats long before you factor in those hard containers with cage-style doors and windows. The Sleepypod, left, is a versatile alternative that lets a pet up to 15 pounds stretch out in comfort. The dome top can be removed or adjusted to minimize fear and stress. The Sleepypod can fit in the back seat of a car; a Sleepypod Mini suits pets up to seven pounds and fits under an airplane seat. Visit meowme.com. METRO NEWS SERVICES

TRAVELDESK@METRONEWS.CA

Live like a New Yorker for a weekend

Travellers on a budget can take the subway and eat street food

You don't need big bucks to enjoy the Big Apple big time. Travel like a New Yorker on the subway. Eat like a New Yorker on the street. And see the city like a New Yorker by visiting public spaces, landmarks and famous places, many of which can be enjoyed for free. Here are some strategies.

Visitors get a bird's-eye view of Manhattan from Rockefeller Center's Top of the Rock observatory.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTOS

Street vendors offer up a cornucopia of tastes at cheap prices.

Getting around

Subway fare is $2 US. A MetroCard with unlimited rides on subways and buses is $7.50 for the day or $25 for seven days.

Famous places

Stroll the serpentine paths of Central Park on your own or take a free walking tour from the Central Park Conservancy, *centralparknyc.org*. Carousel rides are $2. For $8, you can hang out with polar bears and penguins at the zoo ($3 for ages three to 12).

At Fifth Avenue and 50th Street is Rockefeller Center. The elegant Art Deco skyscrapers, Channel Gardens, and statues of Prometheus and Atlas are worth seeing in person, no matter how many times you've seen them on TV.

Grand Central Terminal, at 42nd Street and Park Avenue, is worth a visit, too. Spend a few minutes inside gazing at the arches, cathedral windows and ceiling that make the place so grand. Head west on 42nd Street to Times Square, but wait until after dark to fully appreciate the neon lights.

Take the No. 1 train to the South Ferry stop and hop on the Staten Island ferry. It's free and offers fantastic views of the Statue of Liberty and city skyline, not to mention the manmade waterfalls on the East River, in place through Oct. 13.

Another way to see the city from the water is by kayak; see downtownboathouse.org, which offers free kayaking weekends through Oct. 13 on the Hudson River on the city's West Side.

For a thrilling view of Lower Manhattan's urban canyons and skyscrapers, walk across the Brooklyn Bridge.

Entertainment

Whether your taste runs to David Letterman, Stephen Colbert or Maury Povich, if your favourite TV show is filmed in New York, you may be able to see it live for free. Details at nytix.com.

A few Broadway shows hold nightly lotteries for cheap front-row tickets ($21.50 for Avenue Q, $26.50 for In The Heights, check websites for details).

It's a great deal if your plans are flexible. Or try the TKTS booth in the Marriott Marquis Hotel, West 46th Street between Broadway and Eighth Avenue, which sells tickets at up to 50 per cent off for that night's performance at many Broadway and off-Broadway shows.

Many city parks host free shows in the summer, but they mostly end in August. In September and October, though, parades and street fairs abound.

The West Indian-American Day Parade is a massive carnival-style pageant every Labour Day along Eastern Parkway in Brooklyn.

The Feast of San Gennaro street festival takes place on Mulberry Street in Little Italy, Sept. 11-21.

Museums

Most museums have some free hours. Arrive early and be prepared for crowds. The Museum of Modern Art, 53rd Street and Fifth Avenue, hosts free Fridays, 4 to 8 p.m. The Whitney Museum of American Art, Madison and 75th Street, has pay-what-you-wish admission Fridays, 6 to 9 p.m.

The Brooklyn Museum (Eastern Parkway/Brooklyn Museum stop on the No. 2 or 3 train) has free admission the first Saturday night of each month except Sept., 5 to 11 p.m.

The Metropolitan Museum of Art, Fifth Avenue and 82nd Street, always has a suggested admission of $20, which means that, no, you really don't have to pay the full amount. Don't be embarrassed; New Yorkers on a budget do it all the time.

In Lower Manhattan, the National Museum of the American Indian is always free. Its thought-provoking exhibits include ancient artifacts; masterpieces of pottery, basketry, apparel and other objects; and contemporary art.

The museum is housed at One Bowling Green in the former U.S. Customs House, an architecturally stunning 1907 Beaux Arts building.

Food

For breakfast, a bagel with cream cheese is the real deal. (Don't you dare put jam on that bagel!) And don't ask how many calories it is; just know that you won't be hungry for hours. In many parts of the city, corner coffee carts sell decent java, pastries and donuts for about $1.

A cheap lunch might be a hot dog from a cart, a slice from a pizzeria or a sandwich to go from a deli. Also popular are halal grill carts selling falafel, chicken in pita and other Middle Eastern fare for $5 or less.

For a sit-down splurge, try Dawat, 210 E. 58th St., an Indian restaurant with impeccable service and an outstanding menu created by the writer and actress Madhur Jaffrey. There are several $16 lunch specials. Dinner entrees run more but even at night, you can get a half-order of tandoori chicken for $14.

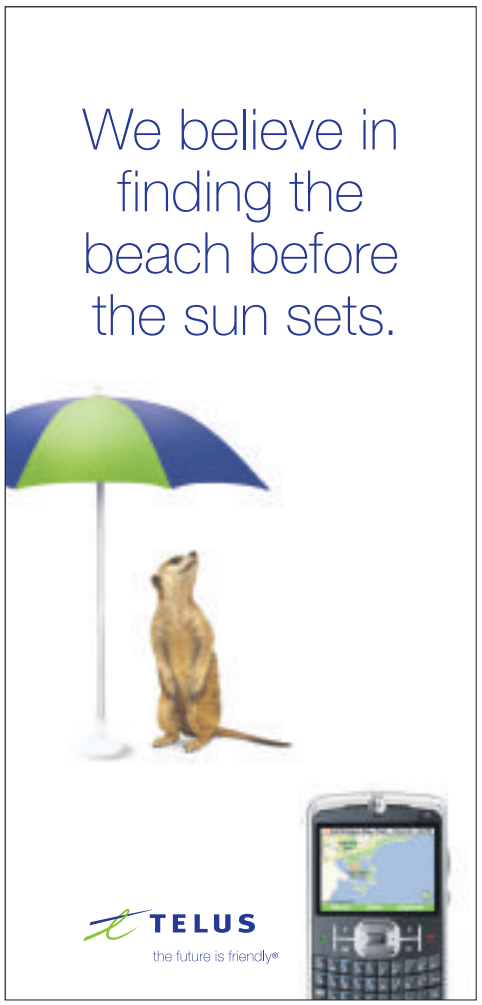
Chinatown has many inexpensive restaurants, and at Aura Thai, (462 Ninth Ave. near 36th St.) panang curry with chicken, beef or tofu is $8.95.

Dessert for two: Split the six-for-$9 selection of truffles and pralines at Max Brenner's, 141 Second Ave. at Ninth Street.

Accommodations

If you don't have a friend or relative to stay with, the Pod Hotel (230 E. 51st St., thepodhotel.com) has rooms under $200. Or pretend that Sunday is the new Friday, and book a Sunday-Monday stay through NYC Sunday Stays at nycvisit.com with room rates 20 to 30 per cent off, free breakfasts and other deals.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Grand evacuation

Days of heavy rains around the Grand Canyon created flooding that breached an earthen dam on the weekend and forced helicopters to pluck scores of residents and campers from the gorge. Some hiking trails and footbridges were washed out, and trees were uprooted. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ticket to party in Pyongyang

Participants in elite rally Gumball 3000 visit North Korea

Call it skateboard diplomacy. For 16 hours this week, the reclusive North Koreans opened their doors to a raucous gang of skateboarders, dot-com moguls, actors, fashion designers, Middle Eastern sheiks and a Playboy Playmate, and let them party.

Maximillion Cooper, the 36-year-old British entrepreneur who created the 3,000-mile car rally entitled the Gumball 3000, left, holds up a skateboard as he and another rally participant pose with a North Korean woman upon their arrival Pyongyang, North Korea.

WALLY SANTANA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

During the Mass Games, held last week in Pyongyang, North Korea, thousands of participants hold placards. Gumball 3000 rally members were invited to see the Mass Games.

The globe-trotting crew from Gumball 3000, a glitzy road rally cum marathon VIP party, sang karaoke, skateboarded and generally enjoyed itself, but not too much; one rallygoer worried about getting tossed into a North Korean jail.

The founder of the 3,000-mile rally that marked its 10th anniversary this year said the North's decision to allow them in was a sign the authoritarian country was loosening up.

"Even though it's pop culture thrown straight in there, it definitely shows a relaxed approach by the North Korean government," 36-year-old British entrepreneur Maximillion Cooper said.

The eight-day tour began in San Francisco and finishes Saturday in Beijing. Pyongyang, however, is far from the typical stop on the global party scene. The North Korea visit ending tomorrow was a dramatic study in contrasts.

Entrants paid up to $112,000 US per car to enter the rally, which includes five-star accommodations and lavish parties at every stop. North Koreans' average monthly salary is about $2.

Rallygoers are driving some of the world's most expensive supercars, from Lamborghinis to Ferraris. In North Korea, cars are only for the elite few; the more fortunate ride bikes but most people simply walk.

On the web

- gumball3000.com

The group was decked out with the latest smartphones and laptops with wireless data connections allowing it to always be online, even blogging while driving.

After flying into Pyongyang, they had to turn in all their gadgets. The devices are largely banned in North Korea, where most citizens are kept in a bubble of isolation from the outside world.

"We were living in real-time on the web and then we get to North Korea and we're in the dark," said Trevor Traina, 40, an Internet entrepreneur and founder of DriverSide, a website for car owners.

While Gumball is a race, the event's focus tends to be on the rolling party of celebrity drivers.

It has drawn criticism as some drivers have been involved in accidents or arrested for speeding in recent years. Last year, two people died following an accident with a Porsche 911 in Macedonia, and the rest of the rally was cancelled.

The trip to North Korea was a couple years in the making, said Cooper, the rally founder. The country's ambassador to Britain, whom Cooper had gotten to know, watched the London start of the 2006 rally, and surprised Cooper with a proposal to bring the event to North Korea, Cooper said.

Cooper visited Pyongyang and was briefly introduced to leader Kim Jong Il before attending a meeting of top officials who gave him permission to hold the event — even allowing cars to be driven across the country to the heavily fortified border with South Korea.

But in Seoul, Cooper said, officials were hesitant to back the plan.

"Through this, we really open doors and have these unique opportunities and that kind of scares politicians" used to going through typical official channels, Cooper said.

The rally ended up making a short stop in Pyongyang to watch the North Koreans' "Mass Games" propaganda spectacle featuring 100,000 people performing synchronized gymnastics and acrobatics.

After the performance, the group had a banquet at the Koryo Hotel that a guide boasted was "one of the most luxurious hotels in our country." Toasts were raised to the health of Kim Jong Il, and to Cooper.

Tattooed rally entrants wearing designer T-shirts and jeans mixed alongside North Korea's vice culture minister clad in a dark suit. The strictly controlled North is one place where it is wise not to step out of line.

"It would just suck to wind up in a situation you don't want to be in a place like that," said Bam Margera, 28, a skateboarder and Jackass co-creator. "The last place I would want to be is in a North Korean police station trying to explain myself."

Some of those in the group did sneak out in the early morning from the hotel for a brief skateboarding session, drawing bewilderment and stares from North Koreans.

The closest thing to hijinks came Wednesday night in the hotel's karaoke bar, where English song selections included classics such as My Way and Country Road.

A North Korean waitress wearing a high-waisted traditional Korean "hanbok" dress refused to get on a skateboard brought to the bar.

But one of the North Korean guides — the government minders who shadow all visitors in the North where no independent travel is allowed — was willing to hop on and coasted for a few yards before tumbling to the ground.

Was it one small step for peace and reconciliation?

"The world leaders should rethink their strategies — maybe they should spend a night in the karaoke bar," said Amro Kayal, 44, a real estate developer from Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Airfares

VANCOUVER $199
Travel Sep 23-Sep 30/wg +taxes & fees $210

Orlando $69
Travel Aug 31-Sep 7/wg +taxes & fees $206

New York $118
Travel Sep 9-Sep 16/pd +taxes & fees $188

Paris $274
Travel Oct 5-Oct 12/ts +taxes & fees $395

Rio de Janeiro $818
Travel Sep 10-Sep 24/ua +taxes & fees $498

Bangkok $879
Travel Sep 11-Sep 22/jl +taxes & fees $645

All-inclusive Holidays

Puerto Plata $467
Riu Mambo +taxes & fees $369
INCLUDES roundtrip airfare, hotel transfers and 7 nights 4-star all-inclusive accommodation. Departs Aug 31/sqv/5g. UPGRADE to the 5-star Riu Bachata for $15 per night.

Mayan Riviera $548
H10 Ocean Turquesa +taxes & fees $327
INCLUDES roundtrip airfare, hotel transfers and 7 nights 4.5-star all-inclusive accommodation. Departs Aug 29/sqv/5g. UPGRADE to the 5-star Grand Sirenis for $8 per night.

Jamaica $597
Starfish Trelawny +taxes & fees $316
INCLUDES roundtrip airfare, hotel transfers and 7 nights 3.5-star all-inclusive accommodation. Departs Sep 1/sqv/5g. UPGRADE to the 5-star Riu Montego Bay for $36 per night.

Canada & USA Holidays

CALIFORNIA FLY & DRIVE $529
+taxes & fees $243
INCLUDES airfare into Los Angeles and out of San Francisco and a 7-day car rental to explore sunny California at your own pace. Valid for select August and September departures. Ask about *Disneyland* Resort *Park Hopper* Bonus Tickets!

Newfoundland Fly & Drive $399
+taxes & fees $208
INCLUDES roundtrip airfare into St John's and a 7-day car rental to explore the east coast at your own pace. Departs Sep 24/inf/wg.

Cruise Holidays

New Orleans Cruise & Stay $749
Carnival Cruises +taxes & fees $307
INCLUDES roundtrip airfare to New Orleans, a 4-night Caribbean cruise sailing roundtrip from New Orleans and visiting Cozumel, Mexico and 3 nights 3-star accommodation in the heart of the French Quarter. Departs Dec 4/inf/ua.

Panama Canal $1099
Celebrity Cruise +taxes & fees $409
INCLUDES 14 nights aboard the *Celebrity Mercury*. Sails from Fort Lauderdale to San Diego and visits Colombia, Panama Canal, Costa Rica, Huatulco, Acapulco, and Cabo San Lucas. Departs Dec 5. UPGRADE to an oceanview stateroom for $14 per night.

PERFECT HOLIDAY PROMISE

FLIGHT CENTRE Unbeatable 1 866 485 7097 | flightcentre.ca

Conditions apply. Ex:Toronto. Air only prices are per person for return travel unless otherwise stated. Package, cruise, rail & hotel prices are per person, based on double occupancy. Prices are subject to availability at advertising deadline and are for select departure dates. Prices are accurate at time of publication, errors and omissions excepted, but are subject to change. Taxes include transportation related fees, GST and fuel supplements and are approximate and subject to change.. Cruise pricing is in $USD, and is subject to currency fluctuations and exchange rate spreads. wg=sunwing, pd=porter, ts=transat, ua=united, jl=jal, sqv=sunquest, 5g=skyservice, inf=infinity. † The Perfect Holiday Promise applies to bookings made at Flight Centre shops within Canada. A $100 voucher for future travel will be provided to customers who experience an unwanted deviation from their paid itinerary. For full details visit www.flightcentre.ca or speak to a Flight Centre consultant. Head office address: 1 Dundas St W Suite 200, Toronto, ON. Call for retail locations. ONT. REG #4671384 TICO

Cool New Rates From Cell & Home Phone

India 5.5¢/min

Philippines 11.5¢/min

Russia From 1.9¢/min

- Works with your existing cell phone and provider
- Pay by cheque or credit card
- No monthly fee or connection charges
- Dial directly without PINs
- Instant activation

3.9¢/min

Australia	France	Jordan
Belgium	Germany	Spain
Brazil	Italy	U.K.

Algeria	14.9¢	Hungary	3.5¢
Armenia	8.9¢	Iran	from 5.9¢
Belarus	22.9¢	Korea	5.9¢
Bosnia	14.9¢	Lebanon	9.9¢
Chile	2.9¢	Mexico	from 3.5¢
Colombia	3.5¢	Poland	2.9¢
Croatia	3.5¢	Romania	2.9¢
Cuba	88¢	Serbia	7.5¢
Egypt	12.9¢	Turkey	3.5¢
El Salvador	8.9¢	Ukraine	8.5¢
Greece	2.9¢	Vietnam	5.5¢

Sign up today!

www.startec.com/metro

1-877-215-6862

startec℠ GLOBAL COMMUNICATIONS

GST & PST apply. International calls to cellular numbers may be charged at different rates. Carrier Cost Recovery Fee (CCRF) applies. Customers will receive a credit on their bill equal to the CCRF. Terms and conditions apply.

Air miles in grocery aisles

Canadian shoppers will soon be able to rack up reward miles after the loyalty card program operator Groupe Aeroplan Inc. announced a multi-year deal with supermarket giant Sobeys. Details of the partnership weren't disclosed, except that it won't be available in all provinces. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Airlines push for homegrown fuel

MARCIO JOSE SANCHEZ

Chemist Emma Kate Payne works on the final steps of turning algae into a fuel source at LiveFuels in San Carlos, Calif. Behind the scenes, the airline industry is aggressively pushing for homegrown alternatives to petroleum-based jet fuel.

With the price of oil still above $100 US a barrel, everything from wood chips to chicken fat is being scrutinized as an alternative to traditional fuel. But when it comes to airplanes, finding the right mix poses a special challenge.

"When you're in an airplane, you don't want your fuel to start solidifying," said Robert Dunn, a U.S. Department of Agriculture chemical engineer who is studying biodiesel jet fuel.

The airline industry is aggressively pushing for homegrown alternatives to petroleum-based jet fuel, while leaning on customers with a variety of new travel charges to help control a projected $61 billion US industrywide fuel expense this year.

A number of alternatives to standard jet fuel have been studied for years, though aircraft manufacturers say the challenge is to find ideas that will work now.

Jet engines can be retrofitted to run on hydrogen, for example. But hydrogen does not pack the same punch as traditional jet fuel, i.e. kerosene, and would require airlines to buy planes designed with massive tanks.

That is a tough choice for cash-strapped carriers, said Billy Glover, managing director of environmental strategy at Boeing Commercial Airplanes.

The best bet right now for non-conventional fuel comes from South Africa, experts said.

The country has powered its airline industry for a decade using a coal-based jet fuel blend developed by petrochemicals group Sasol. It's technically a "synthetic" fuel, which means it can be used without altering engines or other aircraft equipment.

A number of U.S. companies are developing a variety of similar synthetics. Airline experts say three companies in particular could provide more than 11 million litres a day of synthetic fuel by 2012: American Clean Coal Fuels of Portland, Oregon, Baard Energy in Vancouver, Washington, and Rentech Inc. of Los Angeles.

Though significant supplies will not be ready for several years, the Commercial Aviation Alternative Fuels Initiative (CAAFI) — a coalition that includes the US Federal Aviation Administration, airline, manufacturing and airport associations — wants to set standards by the end of the year for a 50-per cent synthetic jet fuel. CAAFI wants standards for a totally synthetic fuel ready in two years.

Executive Director Richard L. Altman said the push for new fuel standards is meant to show investors that airlines will buy synthetic fuel. Doing so will send needed dollars to energy startups that may one day replace foreign oil, Altman said.

"Nobody will invest unless the fuel is certified," he said. "So we have a bit of a chicken-and-egg problem." With more companies investing in alternative energy, the thinking goes, the more synthetic jet fuel eventually becomes available. The more fuel available, the easier it will be for airlines to unshackle themselves from volatile petroleum markets.

Meanwhile, Boeing and Air New Zealand later this year will test a biofuel made from the oil-rich seeds of the jatropha tree, a Mexican plant that grows in warm climates. Other synthetic fuel tests will follow on Continental Airlines and Japan Airlines flights. In February, Boeing partnered with Virgin Atlantic to test a flight that included a biofuel mixture of babassu oil, which comes from a palm tree in northern Brazil, and coconut oil. "We're looking for something that is so correct in its performance that it can be interchanged with petroleum-based kerosene," Glover said.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WHERE THE LITTLEST PRINCESS CAN MAKE A FAIRY TALE COMPLETE.

HERE'S THE FAIREST OFFER OF THEM ALL.

5-night/6-day package
including Theme Park tickets

US $1,168

For a family of 4.
Savings of US $186

SELECT DISNEY
VALUE RESORTS

In a standard room. Available for stays most nights 9/28/08–12/3/08 and 12/11/08–12/23/08.

BOOK BY 9/24/08.

Call 407-WDW-STAR or your Travel Agent or visit www.disneyworld.ca/offer. Ask for package code MMY.

Also ask about packages for other lengths of stay and great rates.

Price based on 2 adults, 1 junior, 1 child. The number of packages available at this rate is limited. Savings based on the non-discounted price for the same *Magic Your Way* Package. Tickets are for one Theme Park per day and must be used within 14 days of first use. No group rates or other discounts apply.

Walt Disney World Resort in Florida
Where dreams come true

Walt Disney Travel Company **CST# 1022229-50**
NVST# 2006-0198

©Disney C8304919

Falling numbers
Statistics Canada says that in June Canadian travel abroad to all countries slipped 0.8 per cent from May, which had experienced a burst of outward bound travel to the United States. METRO NEWS SERVICES

At Coastal Trek, hiking's the thing

Vancouver Island wellness retreat just what the doctor ordered

ANNE DIMON
for Metro Canada

It's 6 a.m. when Tracy knocks on my door. Her cheery "good morning" is just loud enough to make sure I'm awake. It's time for Sunrise Yoga at Coastal Trek Health and Fitness and sure enough, a bright orange crescent is peaking over the Coastal Mountains.

Hugging a remote location on the edge of Forbidden Plateau, 20-minutes from the town of Comax and a three-hour drive from Victoria, this intimate, family-run retreat is all about health and fitness.

"It's not a boot camp," says Andrea Stuchbery, who with her husband Shayne, owns and operates the resort, "but a structured program designed to inspire guests to adopt a healthy, balanced lifestyle through fitness and healthy eating."

COASTAL TREK HEALTH AND FITNESS RESORT

Hiking for health and fitness is the flagship activity of this family-run inn on Vancouver Island.

Overlooking the ever-green-studded Comax Valley, Georgia Strait and the mountain range beyond, the timber-framed west coast-style lodge houses 12 guestrooms, kitchen, dining room, fitness studio and a small spa. There's also a Great Room with a stone fireplace hand-crafted by a local artist.

Following yoga class, breakfast is served on a dining room table carved from one massive tree trunk. Over fruit, yogurt, cereal toast and eggs cooked-to-order, lead hiking guide Mike Blake, explains today's outing. From a selection of about 100 nearby options, a different hike is scheduled each day based on the interests and fitness levels of guests.

We pick up bottles of water, our picnic lunches and head to the nearby town of Campbell River. Since today's hike will take us to Cortez Island, our little group is hitching a ride from Captain Dan Williams and The Morningstar, a study, six-passenger, aluminum work boat.

Wellness travel

- For more information on spa and wellness travel, visit *traveltowellness.com.*

Read more on page 33 ››

Book & save with CAA!

SAVE UP TO $1,000* PER STATEROOM

Book your cruise with CAA between August 15 - November 15, 2008 to receive exclusive bonuses!

CALL 1-800-992-8143
CLICK www.caasco.com/travel or
VISIT your local CAA Store today!

CAA Auto Insurance Travel

*$1,000 savings applies to Uniworld River Cruise – Grand European Discovery, May 31, 2009, category 5, when booked between Oct. 17 - 31, 2008. Savings are based on double occupancy, per stateroom and are subject to change at any time without prior notice. ® CAA and CAA logo trademarks owned by, and use is granted by, the Canadian Automobile Association. Ont. Reg. #50014517. CAA South Central Ontario, 60 Commerce Valley Dr. E., Thornhill, ON L3T 7P9. TICO

Marriott
NIAGARA FALLS
FALLSVIEW & SPA
Where Your Adventure Begins
Maid of the Mist
Butterfly Conservatory
Skylon Tower
Niagara Falls Tour Package
• 2-nights deluxe accommodations
• Narrated tour including passes to some of Niagara Falls most famous attractions, including Maid of the Mist
• BONUS passes to Skylon Tower, White Water Walk & IMAX Theatre
• Buffet breakfast both days
• Dinner voucher for Terrapin Grille Fallsview Restaurant
• Complimentary casinos and attraction shuttle
www.niagarafallsmarriott.com/metro
1-888-501-8916

Fewer visitors
Trips to Canada in June — which marks the beginning of the busy summer vacation season — were down 12.7 per cent from a year earlier in June 2007, according to Statistics Canada. THE CANADIAN PRESS

ANNE DIMON/FOR METRO CANADA

Coastal Trek co-owner Shayne Stuchbery entertains guests.

ANNE DIMON/FOR METRO CANADA

A view of the Comax Valley from the deck of Coastal Trek

Continued from page 32 »

An hour later, we cruise into Cortez Bay for the 90-minute hike up to Hague Lake in Kw'as Park where we stop for a lunch of quinoa salad, baby carrots just pulled out of a local farmer's garden, an organic peach and a trail mix of almonds and dried cranberries. Healthy eating is all part of the deal.

Today's hiking outing is shorter than most because there's an afternoon cooking class with chef Cathy. Good thing, too, says Mike, because today's hike is simply "an appetizer for tomorrow."

Back in the kitchen, while snacking on miniature heirloom tomatoes, we learn how to make gazpacho and a low-fat roasted tomato vinaigrette. Except for the last night of each seven-day program, there is no alcohol served here — yes, it's a health retreat — but during the cooking class, the chef surprises us by opening a bottle of sparkling wine to enjoy during the demo and tasting.

Dinner, always served at 6 p.m., is a group affair and meals are delicious and artfully presented. "And so satisfying," says Rene, a San Francisco lawyer, "that you don't even notice you're eating healthy."

Andrea and Shayne set the tone for the care, nurturing and relaxed casualness that gives this place a special feel. One afternoon finds Andrea in the kitchen hand-rolling sushi for dinner. One evening Shane grabs his guitar and entertains as we all sit around the fireplace. It's a nice, warm family feel.

"The feeling of being nurtured and cared for made me extend my stay by another two weeks," says Libby Lumley, an English school teacher who lives and teaches in China.

Evenings are very quiet. Guests enjoy massages in the two lower-level treatment rooms, sit around the fireplace reading or chatting, or simply head to bed.

For each day brings another day of hiking — and tomorrow, it's the big one — a 27-kilometre trek across Forbidden Plateau.

Yes, I did it, and to reward myself I passed on the Sunrise Yoga and slept in.

Anne Dimon is a spa and wellness travel writer. Visit traveltowellness.com.

Coastal Trek

- Coastal Trek Health & Fitness is open May to October and the minimum stay is seven days.
- For more information, visit coastaltrekresort.com.

"It's not a boot camp, but a structured program designed to inspire guests to adopt a healthy, balanced lifestyle." Andrea Stuchbery

transat HOLIDAYS
Time for takeoff!
France
$1059
City Package • Paris
8 DAYS • 7 NIGHTS
Hôtel Magellan ★★★+
Bonus: One-hour cruise on the Seine
Tue Oct 14, 21, Add taxes $395

marlin travel™
1-877-622-8014 www.marlintravel.ca

All packages include roundtrip airfare & accommodations. Flights are from Toronto via Air Transat, Skyservice or Thomas Cook. Prices are per person, double occupancy in lead package category unless otherwise stated. For full descriptions, terms and conditions and insurance refer to the Transat Holidays 2007-2008 Britain & Europe brochure. Transat Holidays is a division of Transat Tours Canada Inc., and is registered as a travel wholesaler in Ontario (Reg. no 50009489) with offices at 191 The West Mall, Suite 800, Etobicoke, ON M9C 5K8. Marlin: ®tm Trademarks of AIR MILES International Trading B.V., used under license by Loyalty Management Group Canada Inc. and Transat Distribution Canada Inc. Marlin Travel is a division of Transat Distribution Canada Inc., Head Office at 191 The West Mall, Suite 700, Etobicoke,ON, M9C 5K8. Ontario Reg. No. 5001508.

flyhamiltoninternational scheduledflights
to london - gatwick - manchester - glasgow
edinburgh - bristol - belfast & dublin
premium economy.....one way from $ 173
business class.....one way from $ 404
plus taxes & fuel supplement
✈ 1 hour check-in
✈ Less congestion
✈ Low cost parking
Book online or call your local travel agent
flyglobespan.ca
All prices per person including tax, fuel supplement and are subject to availability. Check website for terms and conditions. Credit/debit card charges apply. Prices correct at time of going to press. E&OE

Discover Exotic India
20 day trip - $660*
Delhi, Jaisalmer, Jodhpur, Udaipur, Pushkar, Jaipur Agra and Varanasi
Experience the captivating culture, the friendly people and savory foods!
*Flight, transfers & most meals not included. Local tax of approx $305CDN. Departures betweenAug-Dec/08. Taxes/surcharges are additional. Terms and conditions may apply. Ask us for details.
408 King St. W
(416) 345-9726
THE ADVENTURE TRAVEL COMPANY
TICO#1234698

Hitting the many trails of Northumberland County

ONTARIO Northumberland County offers 21 trails on which you can hike, bike, in-line skate and go horseback riding. You can download a PDF listing the trails from *northumberlandtourism.com*, or order a copy by contacting *info@northumberlandtourism.com*.

Here are some of the trails:

• Ganaraska Forest: This 4,000 hectare, multi-use area offers year-round recreational opportunities and has over 300 kilometres of trails passing through sandy, rolling terrain typical of the Oak Ridges Moraine.

Nature study, photography and orienteering are popular activities in the forest.

• Trans Canada Trail: The Northumberland portion of this trail spans from Hastings southeast to Hoard's Station (just east of Campbellford) taking you through 22 kilometres of marshland, meadows, hayfields and some shade trees.

You'll be travelling on an abandoned rail line with one to two inches of gravel. At the halfway point in Campbellford there is a deviation from the trail which will take you on some back roads and a steep hill,

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Finger Lakes wine trail marks 25 years

The Cayuga Wine Trail in the Finger Lakes region of upstate New York is celebrating 25 years this September. The trail started in 1983 with five wineries.

Today the trail consists of 16 family-owned wineries, and is part of Finger Lakes Wine Country, the largest producer of New York wines.

During the month-long celebration, each of the 16 wineries will host an event to celebrate harvest season. Events include a Some Like it Hot festival at the Hosmer Winery, Sept. 6, with spicy and savory local food to complement the wines, *hosmerwinery.com*; a fall art festival, Sept. 6, at King Ferry Winery, which makes Treleaven wines, *treleavenwines.com*; and a wine and music festival at Goose Watch Winery, Sept. 6-7, *goosewatch.com*.

Harvesting wine grapes in the Finger Lakes region.

Knapp Vineyards is hosting a harvest dinner with regional food and wine, Sept. 13, *knappwine.com*, while the Cobblestone Farm Winery has a grape-stomping festival, Sept. 13-14, *cobblestonefarmwinery.com*.

Lucas Vineyards has a German Festival, with music, polka contest and German food, Sept. 14, *lucasvineyards.com*.

Buttonwood Grove Winery hosts a fall festival with a band and tastings, Sept. 20, *buttonwoodgrove.com*, and Montezuma Winery has an old-fashioned hoedown with fiddlers and food, Sept. 20, *montezumawinery.com*.

More events are scheduled at other wineries. Details at *cayugawinetrail.com* (click on "trail events").

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nobody knows Mexico like we do. That's why we take you there like nobody else can. Experience our award-winning service that includes free hot meals and complimentary beverages.

Take advantage of our convenient connections to the most beautiful Mexican beaches.

TORONTO
• ACAPULCO
• HUATULCO
• PUERTO ESCONDIDO
• ZIHUATANEJO
• PUERTO VALLARTA
• MEXICO CITY

STARTING FROM $388 CAD ROUND TRIP

mexicana.com | 1 877 801 2010
Discover a whole new world with Mexicana.

MÉXICO BEYOND YOUR EXPECTATIONS

Sample fare is displayed in Canadian dollars per person round-trip, excludes taxes, fees and surcharges. Tickets must be purchased by August 30, 2008. Travel must be completed by December 15, 2008. Valid only on flights operated by Mexicana MX001-MX999 and Click Mexicana MX7000-MX7999. Fare is non-refundable, a change fee of up to $100 CAN per ticket per change may apply. Seats are limited and subject to availability in "E" class. The applicable fare code is "ECTNT". Doesn't apply with any other promotion or discount. Other conditions may apply.

Earn $31.45/hr as a Professional Home Stager.
Call now for more Details:
1.866.927.7782
or visit
haverhillstaging.com
Fully Refundable Course Fee Applies.
THE HAVERHILL INSTITUTE OF STAGING & DESIGN

950,000 Metro readers do it daily, coast to coast.
metronews.ca
metro
Do it daily.
SOURCE: NADbank 2007, read yesterday; BASE: Montreal CMA, Ottawa-Gatineau CMA, Toronto CMA, Vancouver CMA

Comfort Travel Inc.

3 CITY BUS TOUR

(Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec City + 1000 Islands Cruise) 3 days/ 2 nights from Toronto

LABOUR DAY LONG WEEKEND

$398 taxes included based on DBL occupancy

Package includes guided city tours, 4 star hotels in the heart of downtown Montreal and 1000 islands. Luxury motor coach is washroom equipped and climate controlled with entertainment.

Ont Reg#50013488 3827194

2586A Yonge St. Toronto
Tel: (416) 642-0372 Toll Free: 1-866-213-0371
www.comforttravel.ca

The luxury of Ottawa's only Four Diamond All-Suite Hotel.
The convenience of a fully equipped kitchen.
The magic of Ottawa at your doorstep.
MintoSuiteHotel OTTAWA
1-866-323-1213
MintoSuiteHotel.com
* Rates may vary. Subject to availability. Based on single occupancy. Taxes and Gratuities not included.

Great Scot
Ancestral Scots from around the world will be heading to the mother country next year for Homecoming Scotland 2009, a year-long celebration of Scottish heritage that culminates in the world's largest ever clan gathering on July 25 and 26 in Edinburgh. See homecomingscotland2009.com and visitscotland.com. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Witnessing extreme acts of faith in Sri Lanka

For the uninitiated, self-harm can be hard to grasp

TheTravelJunkie

Julia Dimon

thetraveljunkie.ca

JULIA DIMON/FOR METRO CANADA

Deep in a religious trance, pilgrims perform acts of self-mutilation to show their faith.

A dozen spiritual leaders sit in a neat row. Heads wrapped in green fabric, they chant in harmony; their palms drum faster on tambourines and the music grows more intense. I know what lies ahead and I'm worried.

I'm attending a lesser-known event that happens in the recesses of the Kataragama festival, a two-week long holy gathering in Sri Lanka that attracts 100,000 Hindu, Buddhist and Muslim pilgrims. Devotees, many of whom travel for weeks to get to this auspicious city, have come to worship and perform acts of self-mutilation.

Seated in a semi-circle among the crowd, I watch as a man with a long grey beard and a white sarong wrapped around his waist steps up. He starts dancing around, slowly working himself into a trance.

Next to a few sticks of burning incense, I see a set of tools, like something out of a medieval torturer's handbook.

He reaches for them, preparing to do the unfathomable. I recoil as he takes a knife and hammers it into his own skull. To the worshippers, this is a chance to prove their complete devotion to God.

The drums beat faster. The man, unfazed by the knife poking out of his head, reaches for a second knife. He hammers the sharp end in with a small rock. The pain must be excruciating, but in this trance-like state of mind, he appears to feel nothing.

> "This is one of those random travel moments when I have to ask myself, 'Is this really happening?'"

He dances around, with two knives sticking out of his head. I watch transfixed.

This is one of those random travel moments when I have to ask myself, 'Is this really happening?'"

It takes two people to pull the knives out of his head. Little droplets of blood splatter all over his white sarong as the music crescendos. This isn't an illusion. This is the real deal.

A succession of people get up to perform a variety of gut-wrenching acts. One man's cheek is pieced and nailed to a nearby palm tree; another man cuts his own tongue as if chopping up a piece of celery.

Then a young boy who looks about 13 is pulled from the crowd. He calmly offers his arm, which is pieced with a long metallic shard.

I'm not particularly religious, and I find it hard to understand why people would do these things to themselves. I learn there can be a variety of reasons for such acts — voluntary self-punishment, proclamation of faith and proof of invincibility among them.

It seems that around the world, across many major faiths and throughout history, self-mutilation for religious purposes is a recurring theme.

An eye-opening experience, for certain.

Julia Dimon is co-host of Word Travels, airing on OLN, and editor of thetraveljunkie.ca.

Public Health Agency warns travellers of Marburg virus

HEALTH The Public Health Agency of Canada is recommending that travellers avoid entering caves where bats may be present in countries known to harbour the Marburg hemorrhagic virus. A Dutch tourist died of Marburg hemorrhagic fever last month after her return to the Netherlands from Uganda where she had visited caves. Countries known to harbour the virus include Uganda, Zimbabwe, Kenya and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Marburg hemorrhagic fever is a highly infectious and rapidly fatal disease. In its most extreme form, victims bleed from multiple places on their body. The virus is spread by contact with blood, organs or other body fluids of infected people or animals, such as monkeys and bats. There is no commercially available vaccine or medication that can prevent infection, the agency says.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

transat HOLIDAYS
Time for takeoff!
Greece
$1599
Island Cruise • Aegean Splendour
8 DAYS • 7 NIGHTS
4 nts Greece & Turkey Cruise, 3 nts Athens
Wed Sep 24, Add taxes $539

marlin travel™
1-877-622-8014 www.marlintravel.ca

All packages include roundtrip airfare & accommodations. Flights are from Toronto via Air Transat. Prices are per person, double occupancy in lead package category unless otherwise stated. For full descriptions, terms and conditions and insurance refer to the Transat Holidays 2008 Glorious Greece brochure. Transat Holidays is a division of Transat Tours Canada Inc., and is registered as a travel wholesaler in Ontario (Reg. no 50009486) with offices at 191 The West Mall, Suite 800, Etobicoke, ON M9C 5K8. **Marlin:** ®tm Trademarks of AIR MILES International Trading B.V. used under license by Loyalty Management Group Canada Inc. and Transat Distribution Canada Inc. Marlin Travel is a division of Transat Distribution Canada Inc., Head Office at 191 The West Mall, Suite 700, Etobicoke,ON, M9C 5K8. Ontario Reg. No. 5001508.

sunwing.ca
Experience the Difference

Experience Elite Service and enjoy complimentary:
Choice of hot meals · Wine with hot meals · Soft drinks
Snacks · Hot towel service · Leather seating · Blankets & pillows · In-flight, first run movies · Headsets · Kids backpack with games & toys · Courteous & friendly service

LAS Vegas™
AIRFARE + 4 NTS HOTEL ACCOMMODATION INCLUDED

TORONTO DEPARTURES
SUNDAY - NOV 02, 09 & 16

Palace Station Hotel & Casino	$295	Flamingo	$595
Harrah's Las Vegas	$495	Caesars Palace	$595
Bally's	$495	Paris	$665

+$230 taxes per person

Toronto departures. Prices are per person in Canadian dollars for new bookings only and based on double occupancy. All packages include roundtrip airfare from Toronto plus hotel accommodation. Transfers are extra. Seats at above prices are limited, capacity controlled, subject to change without prior notice and were available at time of printing. Transportation taxes & related fees are extra and must be pre-paid. Flights are with Sunwing Airlines and are subject to government approval. For full terms and conditions, please visit www.sunwing.ca. 27 Fasken Drive Toronto Ontario M9W 1K6 Ont. Reg # 2476582 08202008

University of Victoria a LEED-er in sustainability

The University of Victoria's Engineering/Computer Science Building has been awarded gold-level status under the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) green building rating program, making it the second on-campus building to receive such status. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Workology

Centennial College

EDITOR: DOUGLAS DUNLOP, DOUGLAS.DUNLOP@METRONEWS.CA

It's not just the resumé

• Arendse also suggests people with strong resumés that have trouble finding work should take a step back and think about whether their interpersonal skills might need brushing up for interviews.

Jerks don't prosper in the workplace: Study

RAFAEL BRUSILOW
for Metro Canada

Interpersonal skills ranked highest in importance for financial professionals in a recent survey.

Believe it or not, your boss probably does appreciate you more than the boastful, irritating jerk in the next cubicle.

In a new study conducted by temporary staffing agency Accountemps, 45 per cent of executives surveyed said interpersonal skills were the most important communication skill for financial professionals, beating out negotiating skills (26 per cent), public speaking skills (17 per cent) and writing skills (5 per cent).

Trent Arendse, a branch manager at Accountemps, says the results of the study shed light on the general importance of interpersonal skills in all segments of the workplace, given that the financial industry is notoriously perceived as being driven far more by numbers and results than by people skills.

He also suggests a key factor to getting promoted and hired is the unspoken "likeability" factor — essentially people who like you are much more likely to want to work with you.

"Interpersonal skills mean being able to interact with people effectively while also being able to be liked by them," Arendse said.

People who scream at co-workers when mistakes get made, stab office mates in the back or behave anti-socially generally have a harder time gaining allies or getting promoted, simply because people don't like them as much.

> **"You can't fake it ... and people will notice it."**
> Trent Arendse on interpersonal skills

Even though business can't always be rosy, Arendse says delivering your message in a personable way can often achieve the same bottom-line results without alienating or offending the people around you.

Still, Arendse warns that a pleasant wit and a million-dollar smile aren't enough to help you get hired or promoted if you suck at your job, but it can make you stand out among equals.

"If your skill set is weak but you have great interpersonal skills, you still might not be a great hire. It does help you differentiate yourself from the rest though," Arendse said.

While people can take courses to polish up their interpersonal and human networking skills, Arendse believes that people lacking such skills completely or with a warped sense of them can't really change their ways — sad news to those people suffering in the vicinity of an irreparable jerk at work.

"You can't fake it — your body language just won't read like you're speaking and people will notice it. You have to want to see other people's point of view and it needs to be a passion of yours, something you actually enjoy. I think it can be taught but the person needs to have some of that in them already," he said.

Be Job Ready in months, not years! Earn your professional Diploma! Evergreen College
EI, SA & ODSP recipients are welcome
Morning, evening & weekend classes
Pharmacy Technician | Medical Office Admin | Community Service Worker | Early Childcare Assistant | Personal Support Worker | Computerized Accounting & Payroll
Field Placement & Job Assistance included
www.evergreencollege.ca
Ask us about Bonus Certifications
Call Now 416 365 0505
67 Yonge Street 4th Floor (King & Yonge)

North American College
Information Technology
(Registered as a private career college under the Private Career Colleges Act, 2005)
Our Graduates say, NAC's optional co-op provides both the Canadian experience and references required for a job.
EI, SA, ODSP recipients may be eligible for funding
Diploma Programs
(the following diploma programs are approved as vocational programs under the Private Career Colleges Act, 2005)
- Accounting and Finance
- Administrative Assistant
- Business Administration
- Computerized Accounting
- Early Childcare Assistant
- Medical Office Assistant
- Personal Support Worker
- Pharmacy Technician
- Legal Administrative Assistant
- Software Training for Civil and Mechanical Engineers *
- PLC/Robotics *
- Bank Teller Training *
- MCSE 2003 and CCNA *
- Prep. Classes for Foreign trained Pharmacy graduates ** (97% Success Rate)

Day, Evening & Weekend Classes
*These courses do not require approval under The Private Career Colleges Act, 2005, ** NACIT is an independent training provider and is not associated with PEBC and its activities are not sanctioned by PEBC.
Ph: 416-960-6024
730 Yonge St. Suite #207, Toronto
www.nacollege.com

YORKVILLE College of Professional Studies
Computer Networking :
- Cisco Certified Network Associate
- Cisco Firewall Specialist
- CompTIA A+
- CompTIA Server+
- CompTIA Linux+
- Planet3 CWNA
- BICSI Installer Level 1
- CompTIA Security+
- MCP
- MCSE
- CompTIA Network+

Microsoft IT Academy
Financial Assistance Available for qualified applicants
Call Today or visit (647) 288-8129
www.yorkvillecollege.com
1835 Yonge St., 2nd floor, Toronto, (Yonge & Davisville Subway)

Toronto & Montréal Campuses
MAKE SOME NOISE
CAREER PROGRAMS IN:
Sound Engineering
Digital Media
Game Design
APPLY NOW for SEPTEMBER
Call 416.977.5074 or 1.888.662.2664
www.recordingarts.com/metro
RAC Recording Arts Canada
Digital Arts College
Downtown Location
111 Peter Street, Suite 708
Toronto, Ontario M5V 2H1

Georgian experiences enrolment growth

Georgian College has had an enrolment growth spurt, as officials say full-time enrolment at the Barrie campus has jumped more than 10 per cent over last fall. METRO NEWS SERVICES

No ice cream until you finish your video games

Parents, don't put away those video games just yet — today's gamer may be tomorrow's top surgeon.

Researchers who gathered in Boston for the American Psychological Association convention detailed a series of studies suggesting video games can be powerful learning tools — from increasing younger students' problem-solving potential to improving the suturing skills of laparoscopic surgeons.

One study even looked at whether playing World of Warcraft, the world's biggest multiplayer online game, can improve scientific thinking.

The conclusion? Certain types of video games can have benefits beyond the virtual thrills of blowing up demons.

A new study suggests that video games can boost your child's problem solving skills.

In one Fordham University study, 122 students in fifth, sixth and seventh grades were asked to think out loud for 20 minutes while playing a game they had never seen before. Researchers studied the children's statements to see if playing the game improved cognitive and perceptual skills.

While older children seemed more interested in just playing the game, younger children showed more interest in setting up a series of short-term goals needed to help them learn the game.

"The younger kids are focusing more on their planning and problem solving while they are actually playing the game, while adolescents are focusing less on their planning and strategizing and more on the here and now," said Fordham psychologist Fran Blumberg, who conducted the research last year and plans to submit it for publication. "They're thinking less strategically than the younger kids."

Studies by Iowa State University psychologist Douglas Gentile and Dr. James Rosser, head of minimally invasive surgery at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston, compared surgeons who play video games to those who don't.

The edge went to gamer surgeons, they found, even after taking into account differences in age, years of medical training and the number of laparoscopic surgeries performed. In laparoscopic procedures, surgeons use small incisions, thin surgical tools and video cameras to see inside the body.

One study of 33 laparoscopic surgeons found that those who played video games were 27 per cent faster at advanced surgical procedures and made 37 per cent fewer errors than those who didn't.

Advanced video game skills also were a good way to predict suturing abilities, according to their study, which was published in the Archives of Surgery in 2007.

Research Gentile and Rosser conducted for a second as yet unpublished study of 303 laparoscopic surgeons found those who played video games requiring spacial skills and hand dexterity performed better at those skills when tested later compared to surgeons who didn't play videos, Gentile said.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The science of Warcraft

• Some video games even appear to sharpen scientific thinking skills. Researchers looked at a random sample of 2,000 chat room posts about World of Warcraft to see what the players were discussing. The research found the game encouraged scientific thinking, like using systems and models for understanding situations and using math and testing to investigate problems.

transat HOLIDAYS
Time for takeoff!
St. Maarten
$948
Sonesta Maho Beach Resort & Casino 4★
7 NTS ALL INCLUSIVE
Sat Sep 6 - 20, Add taxes $144

marlin travel™
1-877-622-8014 www.marlintravel.ca

All packages include roundtrip airfare & accommodations. Flights are from Toronto via Skyservice. Prices are per person, double occupancy in lead package category unless otherwise stated. For full descriptions, terms and conditions and insurance refer to the Transat Holidays 2008 Sun brochure. Transat Holidays is a division of Transat Tours Canada Inc., and is registered as a travel wholesaler in Ontario (Reg. no 50009486) with offices at 191 The West Mall, Suite 800, Etobicoke, ON M9C 5K8. Marlin: ®tm Trademarks of AIR MILES International Trading B.V., used under license by Loyalty Management Group Canada Inc. and Transat Distribution Canada Inc. Marlin Travel is a division of Transat Distribution Canada Inc., Head Office at 191 The West Mall, Suite 700, Etobicoke,ON, M9C 5K8. Ontario Reg. No. 5001508.

International Academy of Design & Technology
www.iadt.ca
Now Enrolling for Fall 08

Careers in
- Fashion Design
- Fashion Marketing & Merchandising
- Interior Design
- Video Game Design & Development

Call Today 647-288-8496
International Academy of Design Technology is now owned by: RCC

HERZING COLLEGE
THE SMART ALTERNATIVE

Put yourself in high demand with a career as a Paralegal, Legal Assistant, or Law Clerk
Internship included

Classes Forming NOW!
1-888-NEW-CAREER
1-888-(639-2273)

www.herzing.edu Toronto Eaton Centre Campus

Provide Legal Services Without a Degree
- Of all Paralegal, Law Clerk and Legal Assistant occupations combined in Ontario, 58% are in the Toronto area
- Employment for this occupation is expected to grow more rapidly than the average for all occupations through the year 2009
- Paralegals are regulated and licensed by the Law Society of Upper Canada
- Herzing College is committed to keeping it's Paralegal program current and compliant with the new Law Society Paralegal framework
- Every Herzing College legal student has access to Quicklaw Research Database, eCarswell Law Source and other legal resources

Exciting career opportunities that Herzing College legal graduates can eventually go on to:
Paralegal, Legal Researcher, Corporate Paralegal, Law Clerk, Researcher, Legal Assistant and Process Server, working in Governments, Courts, Law Firms, Tribunals, Self Employed, Corporations and Legal Departments

- Flexible student schedules including morning, afternoon or evening classes
- Career services including internship placement to get you working right away
- Computer for every student including internet access for research
- Legal and Paralegal instructor led training with small class sizes

DAY or EVENING CLASSES

To create your career call:
1-888-NEW-CAREER (1-888-639-2273)

McGill invests $12 million to fight "brain drain"
In order to plug the "brain drain," McGill University has invested $12 million in three new and redesigned graduate funding initiatives, supported in part by Campaign McGill. METRO NEWS SERVICES

ADVERTISING FEATURE

Centennial helping at-risk youth

A dynamo of infectious enthusiasm, Michael (Pinball) Clemons joined family members and friends in congratulating graduates of the Helping Youth Pursue Education (HYPE) summer training program at Centennial College this month.

"Today you have taken control of your own success," Clemons bellowed to the graduating class of about 90 young people who live in the east-end Toronto neighbourhoods of Malvern, Kingston-Galloway and Scarborough Village.

The Toronto Argonauts chief executive and former coach and player — who was once told he was too short for pro football — implored his rapt audience to believe in themselves and to ignore naysayers who only wish to put others down.

The students, aged 13 to 29, took tuition-free classes in automobile repair, food service, child studies, office administration, business entrepreneurship and physical education over the past six weeks, sampling what career-oriented higher education can be like.

The courses were designed to engage disaffected youth who have not always embraced school in the past. Centennial asked local community service agencies to recommend youth who could benefit from the programming.

Now in its fifth year, the HYPE summer training program was revamped to include office administration, child studies and physical education for the first time. In addition to the tuition-free courses, the college provided TTC tokens, textbooks, breakfasts and lunches at no cost.

For some, participating in Centennial's HYPE program was the first positive school experience they've had in a long time. The initiative is rooted in Toronto Mayor David Miller's Community Safety Plan, designed to bring programming to "at-risk" youth in under-serviced areas of the city.

STEPHANIE LAKE PHOTO
HYPE program manager Tony Granato, far right, with some of the graduating class.

Thanks to a generous grant from Clemons's Youth Challenge Fund ($450,000 over three years), private donations and First Generation funding from the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities, the program has been expanded to include more mentors and additional employability and life-skills training.

Students received a Centennial certificate of completion for their work. The college expanded its bursary program to permit more than 30 participants to benefit from a $2,500 bursary when they enrol in full-time studies at Centennial this fall.

"We're not only giving them a hand into college, but supporting them throughout the duration of their education," says HYPE program manager Tony Granato

"We want to see these students complete their programs successfully and ultimately find employment in their chosen careers."

Valedictorian Aneesah Mohamed was selected by the students to speak at the ceremony. She will be starting Centennial's community and justice services program in a few weeks — an opportunity she never expected to have just a few short months ago.

For information about Centennial's programs, visit centennialcollege.ca

MARK TOLJAGIC

Education
It's Not Just for Our Kids

Continuing Education Information Night & Registration
Wednesday, September 3, 2008
5 pm – 7 pm
Progress Campus, 941 Progress Avenue

Register online before August 22, 2008 or at Information Night and be entered into a prize draw worth $250.

Upgrade your career skills. Pursue a new career path. Pick up a new hobby. With Centennial College's part-time studies, you can take control of your future. With more than 1,200 courses and 150 programs available, the possibilities are endless and you don't have to wait! This fall we still have space in a variety of courses including:

- Retirement Communities Management
- Long-term Care Management
- Addiction Studies
- Teaching English as a Second Language
- Teaching English as a Foreign Language
- Cisco
- Human Resources Management
- Marketing
- Accounting
- First Aid/CPR
- Motorcycle Rider Training
- Food Service Worker
- AutoCad
- Computers

Distance Learning:
- Automotive Service Advisor
- Business Writing
- Home Inspection
- Thanatology (Death Studies) A Practical Approach
- Translation in the Workplace (English to French)
- Ophthalmic Medical Personnel

You Can Make a Difference
We pride ourselves on designing courses and programs that fit the needs of our learners and our community. That's why we want to hear from you. What would you like us to offer? What interests you? If you would like to help develop a new program or teach a new course, e-mail: ce@centennialcollege.ca or call 416-289-5207.

centennialcollege.ca/parttime

the FUTURE of LEARNING

Few housing listings for Calgary students

Despite a 1.5 per cent increase in Calgary's vacancy rate over the last year, there are fewer student rental listings. The University of Calgary's student union reports just more than 200 listings on its off-campus housing website, compared to a peak of 550 last year. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Innocent employee convicted

Employer virtually concealed evidence that would have exonerated former employee

WorkplaceLaw

"Men don't plan to fail, they fail to plan."
-WILLIAM J. SIEGEL

When a Niagara Falls, Ont., outlet of The Beer Store noticed cash shortages at the store, its response was swift: Surveillance cameras were installed to monitor the employees. Soon, a number of suspects were caught on tape, one of whom was employee Douglas McNeil.

McNeil was recorded taking money from the cash register. However, on separate portions of footage, the cameras showed McNeil placing corresponding amounts back into the register.

Despite knowing that McNeil had put the money back into the till, The Beer Store reported it as a theft to the police. In doing so, it submitted the entire videotape, showing McNeil taking money from the register.

However, it did not specifically mention to the police that the tapes also showed McNeil putting the money back.

Based on The Beer Store's review of the footage, criminal charges were laid and McNeil was later convicted of theft and terminated with cause.

As a unionized employee, McNeil was part of a collective agreement that allowed him to challenge the employer's decision to terminate him by a process called a "grievance."

"Employers who act on incomplete — or worse, trumped up — allegations of misconduct risk flirting with a significant lawsuit."

During the grievance process, the entire footage surfaced, which showed McNeil replacing the money back in the register, and he was able to successfully appeal his criminal conviction.

McNeil then sued The Beer Store for the unusual claim of malicious prosecution, arguing that The Beer Store's decision to charge him for theft was made with malice and without reasonable grounds.

At the trial, The Beer Store argued that it acted reasonably; however, the jury that decided the case disagreed. The Beer Store was aware of the footage showing McNeil putting the money back into the register and by failing to specifically point that evidence out to the police, it had caused McNeil to suffer criminal charges and stigma.

As a result, it awarded McNeil nearly $2.1 million to compensate him for various losses he suffered during the 13-year ordeal between the original events and the trial.

This court ruling should cause employers to pause before making allegations of wrongdoing against employees.

Employers who act on incomplete — or worse, trumped up — allegations of misconduct risk flirting with a significant lawsuit.

Unionized employees should also be aware of the following distinction:

• Employees governed by a collective agreement generally may not bring workplace disputes to court and must grieve their issues with the union instead.

In this case, the court agreed that the true nature of the dispute was outside the workplace in allowing the claim to proceed.

Daniel A. Lublin is an employment lawyer focusing on the law of dismissal; dan@toronto-employmentlawyer.com.

Train for a Career in
ACCOUNTING & PAYROLL
in less than one year
›› EI Recipients Welcome!
›› Financial Aid May Be Available To Those Who Qualify
416.969.8845 • www.aoltoronto.com
Downtown & Scarborough locations
OVER 20 DIPLOMA PROGRAMS
Academy of Learning

Career Finder
To advertise, call Josie McKenzie 416-443-4364

GROCERY MERCHANDISERS NEEDED!
Pareto is seeking experienced merchandisers for an on-going project. FT day-time hours Monday to Friday. Must have grocery experience.
Send your resume to careers@pareto.ca
PARETO

950,000
Metro readers do it daily!
metro Do it daily.
SOURCE: NADbank 2007, read yesterday; BASE: Montreal CMA, Ottawa-Gatineau CMA, Toronto CMA, Vancouver CMA

Students Welcomed!
Telephone Interviewers Needed
Doing Opinion Surveys
No Selling or Commission Involved
Flexible Schedules - Work Available Immediately!
Great Location! Yonge and Davisville
E-mail Resume: hr@research-house.ca
please quote MN job reference
Or call our JOB LINE: 416-544-3001
research house

Scarborough Office Grand Opening
New Positions Available
$18+/hr. on average
Full training provided
No experience necessary
416-290-0148

Job At Home
$487.68 Weekly.
Mail Work, Assemble Products or Computer Work.
www.TopJobMetro.com
Or Write to:
CHR Jobs, 372 Rideau St.
#916-M20
Ottawa ON, K1N 1G7

LOOKING FOR A JOB?
EARN UPTO $16/HR
- Guaranteed base salary of $11.00 - $13.00/hr
- Competitive bonus structure and incentives
- Monthly transportation allowance up to $100
- AM/PM, Full or Part time shift available
- Great location Yonge and Finch (TTC, GO Bus, Subway at the door)
Call us TODAY! from 9AM - 9PM at 416.849.0960
smt direct

Direct Energy is among North America's largest competitive retail energy providers.
Excellent career opportunity for COMMERCIAL ENERGY SALES REPRESENTATIVES
Please call Darren O'Neill 416.559.9362
Direct Energy

ACCESS BUSINESS COLLEGE
TRAIN FOR A DIPLOMA IN:
- Banking & Financial Services
- Administrative Assistant
- Computerized Accounting (CPA)
- Canadian Payroll
- Business Administration
- Canadian Investment Funds Course (CIFC)
- Canadian Securities Course (CSC)
Funding to those who qualify EI, WSIB, ODSP, O.W. Maternity
Call for details 416.510.2739 or email info@accessbuscollege.com

School Bus Drivers
$500 SIGNING BONUS
READY FOR SEPTEMBER? WE WILL TRAIN
We are looking for people who enjoy working with children, have a full G licence, a good driving record and commitment to being the very best.
In return, we offer the rewards of the best part-time career on wheels.
• Dodge mini van, mini school bus and mini wheelchair bus routes available
• Free training and licence upgrading
• Summer and Christmas holidays
• Ability to take your children with you
• Keep your vehicle at home
• Up to $250 loyalty bonus, attendance bonus and safe driving awards
CARDINAL Coach Lines Limited
First Student Canada
For the Best Part-Time Career on Wheels
Guaranteed minimum of 3 hours per day
Routes available across the GTA Including Etobicoke, East York, North York, Scarborough, and Toronto.
103 Railside Road, North York Fax: 416.444.6602 Phone: 416.444.3503

$1,040/Week + BONUSES
$1.3 Billion publicly traded industry leader seeks
Customer Relations Reps.
For consideration please call:
416-236-0678

AGO
Work at the New AGO
Security jobs - $16.46/hr to start (FT & PT)
Welcome visitors to the New Art Gallery of Ontario while protecting our art, building and events.
Min. 2 years security experience in customer focused setting, valid security license, and knowledge of security systems and processes.
Apply now!
For additional information visit:
www.ago.net

TODAY IS A GOOD DAY TO SURPRISE A FRIEND...
Take Five daily, to find out what your horoscope says.
metronews.ca
metro Do it daily.

New gig for former Superman

Superman emeritus Dean Cain along with The Cable Guy's Conrad Janis and 7th Heaven's Maximillian Roeg have been cast in the horror-thriller Maneater, according to the Hollywood Reporter. **E! ONLINE**

Entertainment

Sleeper for Tom

Tom Cruise is striking while the Iron Man (and Batman) are hot, eyeing a comic-book adaptation of his own. According to the Hollywood Reporter, Cruise will develop DC Comics' Sleeper. **E! ONLINE**

EDITOR: TINA COSTANZA, TINA.COSTANZA@METRONEWS.CA

MELINDA SUE GORDON/MMSP/FOR METRO TORONTO

Kat Dennings, from left, Anna Faris, Katharine McPhee, Emma Stone and Rumer Willis star in The House Bunny.

Showbiz tough for celebs' kids

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

In The House Bunny, Rumer Willis plays a socially awkward sorority girl in a back brace. Oddly enough, it was the ideal part for the young actress to launch her career.

"I was a big dork," admits Willis recently in L.A. "I just wasn't necessarily too active in really getting into the social crowd so I definitely understood the (idea of) not fitting in."

Willis may prove the exception to the rule. You see, she's the daughter of Hollywood icons Demi Moore and Bruce Willis — an esteemed lineage that naturally breeds instant popularity, fame and an entitled acting career, doesn't it?

Not necessarily. While huge stars like Angelina Jolie, Ben Stiller, Kate Hudson and Miley Cyrus belong to what writer Gary Susman once described as a "hereditary aristocracy," being born to famous parents doesn't guarantee Hollywood fame. Though, it does open doors: Casting director Billy Hopkins once admitted that if a celebrity's kid wants to act, "of course you will meet them."

It's a technical advantage that doesn't ensure a career. We all know Martin Sheen's sons Charlie and Emilio Estevez, but you probably aren't familiar with their sibling Ramon Estevez unless you've rented a stinker titled Alligator II: The Mutation.

Many celebrities' kids don't succeed in showbiz because they're also not willing to do the work. As Willis discovered making The House Bunny (which also stars Tom Hanks' son, Colin), being around a film set is not the same as filmmaking. "I grew up around sets when I was younger but I was never necessarily in the movies," says Willis. "I'd just kind of sit in the trailer and hang out.

"There's a definite shift in your mindset when you go from being the accessory and then to being the one who's in front of the camera."

Perhaps the biggest reason celebrities' kids aren't guaranteed success is that they particularly draw the cynicism of overexposure in gossip magazines. For every Jane Fonda, there's a Paris Hilton or Brooke Hogan who aren't taken seriously because obtaining notoriety seemingly upstages any artful intent. For serious actors like Rumer Willis, that's a big danger to avoid.

"The media is a very interesting outlet because it allows people to see how they think you are, an idea of you but it's not necessarily who you really are."

The Rocker never really gets rolling

BRIAN TOWIE
brian.towie@metronews.ca

The Rocker

Director: Peter Cattaneo
Stars: Rainn Wilson, Josh Gad
Classification: PG-13
Rating: ⊕⊕

REVIEW The Rocker isn't exactly a detestable knockoff of The School of Rock, but it's about as original, and as funny, as a Yesterday cover.

Rainn Wilson plays Fish, a 1980s hair metal drummer axed from his band just before they hit superstardom. He gets his second chance some 20 years later drumming for his teen nephew's (Josh Gad) alt-rock group after a clip of Fish rehearsing in the buff makes its way on the Internet, propelling the band to superstardom.

It's a recycled premise and the story arcs play out to formula: Burnt-out, heavy metal man-child brings nebbish, insecure kids out of their shells by educating them about the greatness of the rock gods who trod the paths currently before them, while he gains a sense of parental responsibility as the exchanges progress.

Rainn Wilson stars in The Rocker.

The Peter Cattaneo-directed (The Full Monty) film is far too sterilized for the Hannah Montana-tween audiences to gain the momentum needed for any real laughs, and the script doesn't play to Wilson's ironic and cerebral comedic strengths. He doesn't have Jack Black's wild-child rock 'n' roll mojo that made his 2003 comedy The School of Rock a success.

Maybe we're just too accustomed to Wilson's stellar and anal-retentive buffoonery as The Office's Dwight Schrute, but lines like, "I'm going to be responsible … for partying till my nuts catch fire!" never seem to go over the way they should.

The film does have its bright lights. Saturday Night Live's Jason Sudeikis plays the sleazebag manager to a tee. Will Arnett, so adept at the role of the heavy, shines once again as the pretentious and corrupt airhead lead singer of the band that exiled Fish so many moons ago.

That said, The Rocker feels like the kind of skit SNL runs after 12:30 a.m., the one that gets moderate chuckles within its first few minutes but wears out its welcome all too quickly.

In short: Ho ho ho … blah.

FRESH WEDNESDAYS & TASTY THURSDAYS

Fresh Wednesdays
July 9 – August 27
Enjoy noon concerts while shopping at the Farmers' Market.
Fresh Concerts • Noon to 2 pm
Farmers' Market • 10 am to 2 pm

Tasty Thursdays
July 10 – August 28
Enjoy delicious BBQ lunches ($5 or less) while listening to live music.
Tasty Concerts • Noon to 2 pm
BBQ • 11 am to 2 pm

NATHAN PHILLIPS SQUARE 100 QUEEN ST. W. FREE ADMISSION
For concert listings: toronto.ca/special_events • Access Toronto: 416-338-0338

Produced by TORONTO | LAPASSAR | 97.3 EZ Rock

Visit the Toronto Water **HTO to go** trailer and learn more about what Toronto Water can do for you!

Hogan takes on comedy
Paul Hogan, the erstwhile Crocodile Dundee, is set to star in comedy Charlie & Boots. METRO NEWS SERVICES

PHOTO COURTESY OF THE CW NETWORK

Pictured is the cast of Gossip Girl. The popular CW TV series, based on the antics of over-privileged private schoolers on the Upper East Side, returns for a second season on Sept. 1.

Raunchy Gossip

Ads hint at hyper-sexual second season

KATE CARRAWAY
for Metro Canada

"Best. Show. Ever," proclaimed a recent cover of New York magazine. On Sept. 1, Gossip Girl returns with its second season, presented by the CW in the U.S. and CTV in Canada.

While the antics of over-privileged private schoolers on the Upper East Side provide an entertaining slice of guilt-TV, the spring 2008 ad campaign that was mounted to promote the second half of the first season, and is running now to promote Season 2, capitalized on the real cultural significance of the show.

The ads are aimed squarely at a generation of viewers, from high school onward (as the New York magazine article points out, 20- and 30-somethings are committed fans, too) who are nearly unshockable, desensitized by advertisers' attempts to provoke them.

The campaign is referred to as both "OMG" and "OMFG," and uses the Internet acronyms as a nod to the text and instant message culture that defines the Gossip Girl audience, and acts as a sly wink to the hyper-sexual content of the ads.

Video montages of the juicier bits of the show (uptight social queen Blair Waldorf stripping at a burlesque club, backseat makeout sessions, hair-tossing hookups) dominate the campaign, but others, including a spot that features surreal dream sequences and the raunchier moments of Season 1, look more like the controversial 1995 movie Kids than outtakes from a family-friendly network.

Pushing the envelope further, the campaign has also used the most damning reviews of the shows to entice viewers, splashing phrases like "A Nasty Piece of Work," "Every Parent's Nightmare" and "Mind-Blowingly Inappropriate" across the ads. This clever tactic is sure to engage the curious and difficult to offend audiences, and is a guaranteed bid for discussion of the show in nationwide media.

The frontier of this provocative campaign involves the use of "bleeping," wherein clips from Gossip Girl are edited with the familiar censorship bleeps over words you can't say on network TV. And they didn't: The "F" is always implied, and never spoken, and in this case, suggested in scenes with much more benign dialogue. A ruse, sure, but a smart one.

The CW website is running a loop of another "OMG" ad, with dream-girl Serena van der Woodsen's summertime whirlwind of boy toys to hype the upcoming Season 2 debut.

It's a fun, funny and obvious effort to hold the momentum the show has built up over its freshman year.

Pitt, Norton, Farrell set to attend TIFF

Heavyweight movie stars Brad Pitt, John Malkovich and Edward Norton are among the celebrities slated to attend the Toronto International Film Festival next month.

Organizers say Pitt, Malkovich and Oscar-winning filmmakers Ethan and Joel Coen are set to bring their dark spy-comedy Burn After Reading, also starring Tilda Swinton.

Norton will be in town with Colin Farrell and Jon Voight to support their film, Pride and Glory, a gritty portrait of a multi-generational police family.

Actors Brad Pitt and Edward Norton will attend the Toronto International Film Festival.

Meanwhile, there's word that stars of previously announced films will also attend — including Viggo Mortensen and Renee Zellweger with their western Appaloosa, and Mark Ruffalo, Julianne Moore and Gael Garcia Bernal with their tale Blindness.

Late additions to the roster include the period comedy Dean Spanley, starring Peter O'Toole and Jeremy Northam.

The 10-day movie-lovers' bash runs from Sept. 4 to 13.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Take That top boy band, poll finds

Take That have been voted the greatest boy band in a new poll. The British group took the accolade in the vote by 5,000 music fans on the website onepoll.com, beating acts such as The Beatles and the Jackson Five to the top spot. MUSIC-NEWS.COM

Tales from the Human Highway

Toronto-based duo crafts rootsy pop tunes on debut album Moody Motorcycle

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI
for Metro Canada

For some musicians, the daily grind of touring in a small van with the same sweaty guys turns them off writing for months, but not Jim Guthrie. The ex-Islands guitarist not only jammed with his former band night after night, he teamed up with the group's lead singer, Nick Thorburn, to start a whole other group.

"Nick had been writing the song My Beach while we were on tour and he came up to my hotel room and asked if I wanted to record it," says Guthrie, explaining how Human Highway, his new laid-back Toronto-based duo, was formed. "We didn't actually have all the instruments you hear on the track so we did the rest of it back in my house."

Most of Moody Motorcycle, the twosome's debut disc, was conceived in Guthrie's house. While it's definitely a collaboration — many of the songs feature both musicians on vocals — the project came together mostly as a result of Thorburn's desire to work with his bandmate in an non-Islands setting.

"Nick really wanted to write songs with me," says Guthrie. "He was like, 'I'm going to come to Toronto and sleep on your couch.' If it wasn't for Nick it probably wouldn't have happened."

It's not that Guthrie was opposed to taking on a new musical endeavour; he's just not as motivated as his partner. The Guelph-born singer-songwriter admits that he can sit on songs for months, while Thorburn forges ahead to get things done. "He's willing to commit to a song. He doesn't hold back," explains Guthrie, who adds that his followup to his 2003 solo album is still in the works. "I'm more, 'Is this a good idea? A bad idea? Maybe I'll stew over it for the next year.'"

JAMIE FOGGIE

Human Highway's debut album — Moody Motorcycle — is a sophisticated collection of rootsy pop tunes that recall the Everly Brothers or the Traveling Wilburys. The album was released yesterday.

Luckily, Guthrie didn't wait to sort out his parts on Moody Motorcycle. In fact, the songs sound closer to his own soft-spoken acoustic work than the grandiose arrangements that Thorburn created on Arm's Way, the most recent Islands disc.

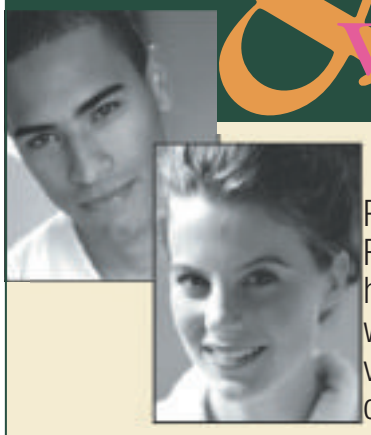
Although it was recorded in about two weeks, Human Highway's disc is a sophisticated collection of rootsy pop tunes that recall the Everly Brothers or the Traveling Wilburys. The harmonies are easily the best part, but the calm, thoughtful songwriting is what really drives this disc.

"What we've done is just write a bunch of songs we both really love, and it turns out other people hear something in them as well."
Jim Guthrie

With good reviews coming in from fans and critics alike, what was supposed to be a side-project looks like it could be something more. "We were talking of maybe doing a sporadic show or two before the year is out," says Guthrie. "But maybe this has more to give than we originally thought.

"I do stuff for me and if there's an audience, great," he adds. "We were just leaving ourselves an out. What we've done is just write a bunch of songs we both really love, and it turns out other people hear something in them as well."

men & women



PHARMA MEDICA RESEARCH INC. requires healthy Males & Females who are Drug-free to volunteer to participate in clinical research studies.

If you are 18 to 65 years old, and want to see if you qualify, please contact the clinic (Mon to Fri. 8am - 8pm, Sat 9am - 5pm) at 416 -759-5554 or visit our website at www.pharmamedica.com

You will be financially compensated upon completion of the study

PHARMA MEDICA RESEARCH INC.

Are Migraine Headaches Disrupting Your Life?

You May Qualify For a Research Study If You:

- Are 18 to 65 years old
- Experience 5-14 days with a migraine per month
- Have ever experienced any of these symptoms before or with a migraine:
  - Vision changes
  - Tingling
  - Blurred vision
  - Numbness
  - Difficulty speaking
- Have tried at least 2 medications prescribed by your doctor and taken every day to prevent migraines

Participants will be seen by a doctor and receive all study-related care, including travel, at no cost.
Patients may receive an investigational device.

Call Now 1-866-288-7068

prima MIGRAINE CLINICAL TRIAL INTERNATIONAL

Site Located In Toronto

Service Directory

To advertise, call Ian March, 416-486-4900 Ext. 232

FINANCIAL

MORTGAGES
1st & 2nd Mortgages
Debt Consolidation
*Low Rates, *No Fees
Bad Credit Welcome
*CREDIT APPROVED
*terms and conditions apply
www.mortgagegenie.org
416-667-9834

Bankrupt.ca
SEGAL Trustee in Bankruptcy
Let us help you find a solution and start to rebuild your financial future today.
For a Free Consultation Call
(416) 391-1460
Danforth Ave. @ Woodbine Station,
Sheppard @ Hwy 404 (head Office)
www.bankrupt.ca
Bankruptcy/Proposal

A DEBT PROPOSAL
may be better than bankruptcy
Let us help you regain Financial Control with a FREE CONSULTATION
For immediate assistance call:
(416) 967-6772
Stern Cohen Shier Inc.
Proposal Administrators/Trustee in Bankruptcy
Toronto, Etobicoke, Woodbridge, Scarborough

LOANS TILL PAYDAY
CHEQUE CASHING
Direct Deposit Now Available
416.667.9017
GET YOUR MONEY FAST
www.loanstillpayday.com

VPN SERVICE

BLACK LOGIC
Are you planning a trip to Dubai, UAE?
Unblock Skype in UAE.
www.blacklogic.com

Effective and cost effective.
To advertise in Metro's Service Directory, call Ian today!
416-486-4900 ext. 232
metronews.ca
metro Do it daily.

PSYCHICS

Psychic Spiritual Advisor Mona ~
I restore luck and happiness and will call out your friends and enemies byname. Help in all problems such as love, marriage, business, health or whatever your problem may be. I will tell you your past as it was, your present as it is, and your future as it will be. 100% guaranteed results. 40 Years experience. Superior to all others. Don't let time or distance stand in the way of happiness.
CALL FOR 1 FREE QUESTION
416•222•8201
9am-9pm • Yonge/Finch

Clairvoyant Psychic Consultant
Insightful direction for future plans & choices. Release unwanted obstacles, bad luck, evil, spells etc.. Immediate reunion of love, restore luck, happiness or what ever your problem may be.
Curse Removal: $100
Palm/ Tarot: $25
Love Repair/ Reunion: $150
Guaranteed Results in 3 days
1 Free Question
416-226-1325
Yonge & Sheppard

PSYCHIC READER
If you are worried or unhappy through love, business, marriage or whatever your problem may be. I have reunited the separated, healed the sick. Where others have failed I have succeeded. I will not ask what you came for; I will tell you. I will make known your friends and enemies to you! One visit will convince you that I am superior to all others. Call NOW for appointment
416-225-5818

HOMECARE

WANTED Caregiver/ Nanny/Maid
Children / Elderly
ABM Nanny Services
416 913 4700

DIVORCE

SIMPLE (UNCONTESTED)
DIVORCE
ezdivorce.ca
1-888-EZ-EZ-123
Lawyer-prepared and filed for you
Member of the Better Business Bureau

DIVORCE
FLAT RATE & EASY PAYMENT PLAN
OTHER LEGAL SERVICES
AFFORDABLE LAWYERS
www.LawyerReferralServices.ca
416.246.9298

Quick DIVORCE
SPONSORSHIP
LAWYER ASSISTED
Start a file with $100
416-849-4200
(Open 6 days: Mon - Sat)

BUYING A NEW HOME?
Read New Homes every Thursday.
Only in Metro.
metronews.ca
metro Do it daily.

Apartment Finder

To advertise, call Josh Green, 416-443-4392

RENTALS

ATTENTION RESIDENTS OF #2 SECORD AVE.
Immediate Occupancy at Victoria Park & Danforth Ave.
Jr. 2 bdrms & 2 bdrms from $925
One Month's Free Rent
No Deposit Required
Proof of Residency at #2 Secord Ave. Required
416-698-7233

Clean & well maintained
Morningside & Ellesmere
70 Mornelle Court
Spacious 1, 2 & 3 bdrm aparts.
Hi-Rise building.
Close to TTC/Subway.
Move-in incentives
416-283-6655
www.torontorentals.com/70mornelle
*Some conditions apply

65 THORNCLIFFE PARK DR.
Well maintained & Spacious suites in Hi-Rise Building
BACH., 1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS
416-696-5052
Available for immediate occupancy. Close to all facilities.
www.torontorentals.com/65thorncliffe
Don Mills & Overlea

FACING DUNDAS WEST SUBWAY STATION
Bachelor from $729
1 Bdrm from $929
A/C / Indoor Pool / Indoor Mall Management On-site
24hrs security / Utilities Incl.
2340 Dundas St. West
416-532-3331

GREAT AREA - WALK EVERYWHERE!
LARGE, CLEAN, RE-PAINTED
B - $689.00
1 B - $798.00
2 B - $998.00
1 FREE MONTH
-All plus hydro-
ASK FOR ANN
416-534-5610
metronews.ca

BUYING A NEW HOME?
Read New Homes every Thursday.
Only in Metro.
metronews.ca
metro Do it daily.

CONVENIENCE AT BLOOR & SHERBOURNE
Connected to Shopping Mall. Steps to subway
Bach, 1&2 Bdrms w/ utilities Incl.
from $820
Scenic views, Rooftop indoor pool. Sauna.
Near Ryerson & U of T. 77 Huntley St.
Ask us about our AIR MILES® reward miles offer!
® TM Trademarks of AIR MILES International Trading B.V. Used under license by Loyalty Management Group Canada Inc. *Limited time offer. Conditions may apply. Contact us for details.
416.964.8265
www.resrent.com

Victoria Park & Danforth Ave.
Immediate Occupancy
416-694-8408 | 416-694-3187
Jr. 1 brm from $810
1 bdrm from $835
Jr. 2 bdrm from $925
2 bdrm from $975
Indoor parking lowest at $25
Ask About move-in bonus
security, walk to subway,new decor, utilities, shops, complete redecoration
WWW.PRINCESSMGMT.COM

The Premium Choice *in Rental Living*

TORONTO
Rideau Towers
35 Thorncliffe Park Drive 416-628-1942
43 Thorncliffe Park Drive 416-628-1942
47 Thorncliffe Park Drive 416-628-1942
49 Thorncliffe Park Drive 416-628-1942
Leaside Towers
85/95 Thorncliffe Park Drive 416-628-1942
Rouge Valley Residence
45 Generation Blvd. Scarborough ..416-284-2873
The Bay Club
925 Bay Street 416-925-0808
The Colonnade
131 Bloor Street West 416-963-7703
Fifty on the Park
50 Portland Street 416-316-1550
OTTAWA
Horizon Towers
160 Chapel Street 613-789-6000
KITCHENER
Margaret Place
305/315 Margaret Avenue 519-744-3468
MISSISSAUGA
Elmwoods
30 Elm Drive 905-848-4653
Maplewoods
1477 Mississauga Valley Blvd. 905-275-2700
Forestwoods
1547 Mississauga Valley Blvd. 905-279-8910
Tomken Place
935 Dundas Street East 905-276-9480
The Valleywoods
1423 Mississauga Valley Blvd. 905-272-8626
Meadowvale Gardens
2869 Battleford Road 905-826-1741
The Arista
3665 Arista Way 905-949-4653

Morguard RESIDENTIAL
www.morguard.com

Malaysia Avril show cancelled

An Avril Lavigne, left, concert scheduled for later this month in Malaysia has been cancelled amid complaints that the show by the Canadian rock singer is "too sexy." METRO NEWS SERVICES

Milwaukee erects bronze Fonz

IntelleVision

Rick McGinnis
rick.mcginnis@metronews.ca

FONZ IN BRONZE: I don't think I'm alone in thinking that there's something a bit sad about the commemorative statues to long-gone TV shows being erected by the cities in which they were putatively set. Every year a new one is dedicated, and this week Milwaukee got its own to join the memorials to prime time past in cities like Minneapolis, Chicago, New York, Salem, Mass., and Raleigh, N.C., dedicated to the posterity of TV characters such as Mary Richards, Dr. Robert Hartley, Ralph Kramden, Samantha Stephens and Sherriff Andy Taylor.

If you don't recognize any of those names, don't worry — these bronze likenesses aren't meant for you, but for those fervent souls who will put a detour in their weekend, or even their vacation, to travel to the street corner where they're on display, to beg passersby to take a quick snap of them throwing their knitted hat in the air. The keen of eye will notice that they all celebrate shows that were popular from the '50s to the '70s — the heyday of boomer prime time pop culture.

KEVIN WINTER/GETTY IMAGES

A life-size monument of Henry Winkler (The Fonz) is the latest in a trend of commemorative TV show statues being created.

Toronto has its own TV memorial to Al Waxman, the man who played Larry King on The King Of Kensington. The statue is in Kensington Market, appropriately, though it's of Waxman as himself, and not in character. It's also unique in that the show it commemorates was actually filmed in the same city where it was set, unlike every other TV memorial, including the newest to Henry Winkler as Arthur "The Fonz" Fonzarelli from ABC's Happy Days.

Milwaukee's media were out in force to cover the unveiling, with no less than three columns in the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel on the significance of the life-sized (5-foot-6 — Winkler is not a giant) statue of The Fonz, thumbs up as he delivered his trademark catchphrase. (I won't repeat it here — ask your dad). TV columnist Tim Cuprisin wondered about the local inspirations for Arnold's Drive-In and the all-American Cunningham family, while Jim Stingl followed around cast members as they visited local points of interest (the MillerCoors brewery, the Harley-Davidson museum).

Eugene Cane got the bleaker task of comparing the bygone setting of the show (the late '50s, theoretically, though by the end of its 11-season run it was set in some temporal no-man's land) with the grimmer realities of Milwaukee today. "Nobody worried Joanie would come home pregnant because girls her age didn't get pregnant," Cane wrote. "The Cunninghams lived in the city, not the suburbs, and they were proud of it." Sorry to quibble, but girls Joanie's age did get pregnant back then — I'm living proof of that. Milwaukee's ownership of Happy Days with its bronze Fonz is touching, but the show was only barely about Milwaukee, and more about the first stages of boomer nostalgia for the comfortable home life their generation's leading lights had so noisily rejected mere years before.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

Glover calls Hollywood 'racist'

CONTROVERSY Actor Danny Glover has branded Hollywood studio bosses racist after failing to secure financial backers for a biopic of revolutionary Haitian leader Toussaint L'ouverture, imdb.com reports.

Danny Glover.

According to the New York Post, Glover's project has yet to move forward due to financial woes — despite Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez offering half of the $36-million budget to finance the film.

Glover was reportedly banking on the other $18 million from a distributor, but claims he faced rejection from financiers unsure of producing a film based on L'Ouverture, who helped to abolish slavery in Haiti in the late 1700s.

Glover recently said: "Producers said, 'It's a nice project, a great project'... Where are the white heroes?'"

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Good Voices Wanted For TV and RADIO

TRYOUTS BY PHONE for men and women with Radio/TV potential are on at Canada's NIB Broadcast Training Centre.

"We offer special Studio Courses full time or part time for people with good voices, all ages," says Mary Adams, "For News, Sports and Commercials, as Talk Hosts, Entertainment Reporters, DJs and Celebrity Interviewers."
Places are limited. To try your voice -

"Just Phone, Listen, Talk!" (416) 922-5988

TO	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime 8/20/08	265	353	2	TVO	The Life of Birds		Undefended Border		The Whistleblowers		Citizen King		Undefended
	211	331	3	GTV	Entertainment	ET Canada	Bones (HDTV PA)		NCIS "Dog Tags" (HDTV)		Crime Stories		News (N)
	215	343	4	OMN1	Two/Half Men	The Simpsons	News (N)		Vivere II	News (N)	The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Metropia
	210	302	6	CBC	(6) XXIX Summer Olympics (HDTV) From Beijing. Cycling: BMX, men's and women's semifinals; athletics. (Live)								
	214	344	7	CITY	Friends	Hollywood	Make Me a Supermodel		Rock of Love-Bret Michaels		Entourage	Entourage	News (N)
	212	313	8	CTV	TMZ (N)	Jeopardy!	Law & Order "Betrayal"		Criminal Minds (HDTV)		CSI: NY (HDTV)		News (N)
	218	345	11	E!	The Insider (N)	E! News	Greatest American Dog		Janice Dickinson Modeling		William Shatner		News (N)
	137	763	13	TFO	Panorama	Jardins (SC)	Destination Nor'Ouest (SC)		Le Cercle (2000) Nargess Mamizadeh.			Les Gens de...	Tournants
	-	-	14	-	Law & Order: SVU		News (N)		News (N)		King	King	Cold Case
	213	326	15	SUN	Scrubs	George Lopez	Aliens-America	Aliens-America	Great Big Sea: Courage & Patience & Grit			The DVD Show	Grill Rm.
	-	387	16	CBS	Inside Edition	Hollywood	Greatest American Dog		Criminal Minds (HDTV)		CSI: NY (HDTV)		News (N)
	-	385	17	NBC	Entertainment	Olympic Zone	XXIX Summer Olympics (HDTV) (Live)						
	-	386	18	ABC	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy!	Wife Swap		Supernanny		Primetime: Crime		News
	219	346	20	ACH-B	Grand Star	Degrassi: Next	Wife Swap		Sarah Connor Chronicles		Bigfoot's Reflection		News
	-	-	28	FOX	Judge Judy	Two/Half Men	Bones (HDTV PA)		Sarah Connor Chronicles		Seinfeld	Two/Half Men	The Simpsons
	-	388	61	PBS	News-Lehrer	Mulberry	Planet Tales (DVS)		Nova (DVS)		A Brief History of Disbelief		Business Rpt.
	297	652	330	WPX	Two/Half Men	Family Guy	America's Next Top Model		Pussycat Dolls: Girlicious		CW11 News at Ten		Two/Half Men
	296	654	331	SBK	Wheel-Fortune	MLS Soccer D.C. United at New England Revolution. (Live)				Jeopardy!	Frasier	Frasier	Cheers
	298	653	332	TLA	Reba	Reba	My Wife-Kids	According-Jim	Family Guy	Family Guy	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Next Model
news	502	390	26	NW	CBC News	Beijing Today	The Hour (N)		CBC News: The National		CBC News: The National		National
	500	500	33	CNN	Lou Dobbs Tonight		CNN Presents Sen. John McCain. (N)		CNN Presents Sen. Barack Obama. (N)				Cooper 360
	509	504	79	CNB	Asia Squawk Box		On the Money		Fast Money (Live)		The Big Idea With Deutsch		Mad Money
sports	405	417	22	net	MLB Baseball New York Yankees at Toronto Blue Jays. From Rogers Centre in Toronto.						Sportsnet Connected		Soccer
	400	400	30	TSN	(6:30) XXIX Summer Olympics (HDTV) (Live)								SportsCentre
	411	457	58	OLN	Exploration	Videos	Ed's Up	Odyssey	The Rig	Dirtbusters (N)	Word Travels	Globe Guides	Pilot Guides
	417	406	81	SC	Pinks (HDTV)	NCTS Setup	NASCAR Racing Craftsman Truck Series -- O'Reilly 200. (HDTV) (Live)					Pinks Outtakes	Pinks (HDTV)
family	551	542	25	YTV	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Fries That?	Futurama	Prank Patrol	Mystery Hnt.	Falcon Beach		Mystery Hnt.
	554	544	45	TEL	George-Jungle	Tom & Jerry	Tom and Jerry	6teen	Total Drama	Futurama	Heavy Metal 2000 ★★ (2000, Fantasy)		
	556	540	51	FAM	That's-Raven	Smart Guy	Zack & Cody	Natural-Sadie	Han. Montana	Life Derek	Ned's School	Cory in House	Zack & Cody
cable variety	602	567	27	W	Will & Grace	Friends	Shopping Bags	Style by Jury	Three Fat Brides		Coleen's Real Women (N)		Maxed Out
	570	580	29	MM	Gone Wild	Gone Wild	Much Does Wakestock				America's Best Dance Crew		Born to Be
	615	520	31	A&E	CSI: Miami "Pirated"		Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Criss Angel	Criss Angel	Criss Angel
	700	800	35	TLN	Centrovetrine	Sky TG 24	L'Avvocato Porta				The Sopranos (SS)		Raymond
	571	581	36	MMM	mmmtop	Popaganda		Back In	Tip of Tongue	Tip of Tongue	Don't Forget the Lyrics!		Celeb. Rehab
	575	583	38	CMT	CMT30 "Dauphin 2008"		Ult. Coyote Ugly Search		Reba	Hope & Faith	Home Improve.	Roseanne	Tara Diaries
	616	521	39	SHO	ReGenesis		Da Vinci's Inquest		Trailer Park	Rent-A-Goalie	Full Metal Jacket ★★★ (1987, War)		
	620	523	40	BVO	Literature Alive	Arts & Minds	Wingfield	Camera	Mad Men		Entourage	Bravonews	Law & Order
	601	562	41	SLC	End of Leash	Til Debt-Part	X-Weighted		Work Out Skylab dream.		Inside Hollywood (N)		X-Weighted
	522	506	43	HIS	NCIS "Jeopardy"		Re-Inventors	Re-Inventors	Mob Stories		NCIS "Jeopardy"		Crime Stories
	625	548	44	COM	Air Farce	22 Minutes	Laughs	Corner Gas	The Simpsons	South Park	Lewis Black	RENO 911!	Daily Show
	600	564	46	H&G	House Hunters	Property Virgin	Property Shop	Big City Broker	Property Virgin	Unsellable	Flipping Out "Tapped Out"		Holmes-Homes
	294	529	47	TBS	Family Guy	Family Guy	Exit Wounds ★ (2001, Action) Steven Seagal, DMX.				Frasier	Seinfeld	Friends
	576	582	49	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live		Baldwin Hills	Baldwin Hills	Never 2 Big ★★ (1998, Crime Drama) Ernie Hudson.				Get Rich
	627	528	50	SPC	Stargate SG-1 (DVS)		Star Trek: Voyager		Smallville "Descent"		Supernatural		Stargate SG-1
	581	566	52	MTV	Next	After	Canada's Next Top Model		Buzzin	Run's House	Run's House	Buzzin	MTV Live
	618	524	54	TROP	TV Made, Do It	TV Made, Do It	ET Canada	What Happen?	Family Guy	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Frasier	Family Guy
	603	561	56	FOOD	Road Grill	Licence to Grill	Restaurant Makeover		Iron Chef America		The Next Food Network Star		Challenge
	261	394	60	V	Murder, She Wrote		Chambers	No Place Like	Jeeves and Wooster		Soferet: A Special Scribe		Footbinding
	621	527	63	STR	Look-A-Like	Hollywood	TMZ (N)	Kim Cattrall	Celebrity Rehab With Dr. Drew		The Ellen DeGeneres Show		Kim Cattrall
	553	546	65	TRE	Wonder Pets	Nght Grdn	The Wiggles	Franklin	Little Bear	Miss Spider	Comfy Couch	Rolie Polie Olie	Beren. Bears
	115	711	101	TVA	Marché	Poule-oeufs or	Rumeurs - Jean-Michel Anctil		La Grande Évasion "Panama"		TVA 22 heures	Sucré-salé	Mauvais
	126	730	102	RDI	RDI en direct	400 fois Qué	Grands reportages (SC)		Le Téléjournal	Chine	Le Téléjournal	Le National	Le Téléjournal
	526	507	249	CLT	The West Wing		Paul Merton in China		Casanova's Love Letters		Traders		The West Wing
	300	601	301	M1	Crossing ★★ (2005, Suspense) Sebastian Spence.				Gone Baby Gone ★★★ (2007, Mystery) Casey Affleck.				Walk All
	305	612	306	PIX	To Die For	(7:20) Murray Maguire, M.E. (2001)			The Shining ★★★ (1980, Horror) Jack Nicholson, Shelley Duvall.				

critics' corner

Supernatural

It's only a TV show — yeah, right. Sam and Dean (Jared Padalecki, Jensen Ackles) become contestants on a reality television show that investigates paranormal events. But this is a bit too real; on a visit to a haunted mansion, several members of the brothers' team meet some very gruesome ends. A.J. Buckley, Travis Wester and Dustin Milligan guest star in "Ghostfacers." 10 PM on SPC

Criminal Minds

He's the profiler, he's the suspect, and he's the victim's boyfriend. In this gut-wrenching episode, Gideon's (Mandy Patinkin) girlfriend becomes the latest victim of serial killer Frank (Keith Carradine). He takes this case into his own hands and goes on the hunt for Frank without telling his colleagues ... who must treat him as a suspect to find him and the killer. Amy Madigan also guest stars. 9 PM on CTV

Earn $31.45/hr as a Professional Home Stager.

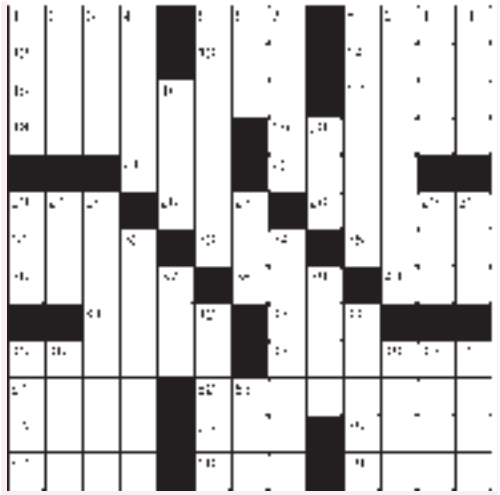
Call now for more Details:
1.866.927.7782
or visit
haverhillstaging.com

Fully Refundable Course Fee Applies.

HAVERHILL INSTITUTE OF STAGING & DESIGN

Watchmen in trouble
Film studio Twentieth Century Fox has applied to block the release of Watchmen, based on the comic books written by Alan Moore. Fox, which says it bought film rights to the series in the 1980s, has been given the go-ahead to launch an injunction against rival Warner Bros. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Take Five



Crossword down

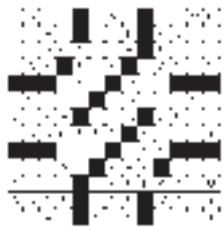
1 H.H. Munro's pseudonym
2 Borrower's burden
3 Pastoral piece
4 Small plateaus
5 Vaccine supplement
6 Author Fleming
7 Staff of life
8 ATV's place
9 Nonsense
10 Fat
11 Leg part
16 Doppelganger
20 A billion years
23 Resort
24 Joan of —
25 Big name in aircraft
27 Symbol of intrigue
29 Leading lady?
30 NASDAQ counterpart
32 Bedtime recitations
34 Talk about
37 Every iota
39 Cherished
42 English county
44 Devoted groups
45 Reverberate
46 Trampled
48 Chimney dust
49 Beige
50 Pallet
53 Luau bowlful

Play more games online at: metronews.ca

Crossword across

1 Slender
5 Clothing protector
8 Russian city
12 Helper
13 Rowing tool
14 Satyrlike creature
15 Pennsylvania, the — State
17 Run away
18 The Bushes, to Henry Hager
19 Add carbon dioxide
21 Perch
22 "Let's Make a Deal" option
23 Bando of baseball lore
26 Fresh
28 Unadorned
31 Support
33 Roulette bet
35 "Whip It" group
36 Capital of Ghana
38 "The Price Is Right" guess
40 Archer's bow wood
41 Money, slangily
43 Moment
45 Some alcohols
47 Reasons
51 Algonquian language
52 Morgan of "Super Size Me"
54 Gardener, at times
55 Dawn goddess
56 Actress Spelling
57 Probability
58 Greek consonants
59 Poker variety

previous day's answer



This day in history

AUG. 20, 1940: Exiled Russian revolutionary Leon Trotsky is fatally wounded in Mexico City by an assassin's ice axe. He dies the next day.
AUG. 20, 1953: The Soviet Union publicly acknowledges it had tested a hydrogen bomb.
AUG. 20, 1969: All four Beatles are together in the recording studio for the final time as they finish the Abbey Road LP.
AUG. 20, 1986: In Edmond, Okla., U.S. Postal employee Patrick Sherrill guns down 14 of his co-workers and then commits suicide.
AUG. 20, 1998: The Supreme Court of Canada states Quebec cannot legally secede from Canada without the federal government's approval. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Earn $31.45/hr as a Professional Home Stager.
Call now for more Details:
1.866.927.7782
or visit
haverhillstaging.com
Fully Refundable Course Fee Applies.
THE HAVERHILL INSTITUTE OF STAGING & DESIGN

Horoscopes

AVATAR VENUS

ARIES
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Improvement in a love affair creates good cheer. A fantasy will come to light. Persistence will produce huge dividends.

TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21
Unnecessary anxieties need to be thought through. Conflict arises between desires and principles. Ease the pain of unrequited love.

GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21
A careless person makes another blunder. A woman's deceit baffles everyone. Be courageous in defining your boundaries.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Women will involve you in an uncertain situation. You'll be a happy island in a sea of gloom. Consult a legal expert about a dispute.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23
Your animal magnetism is at a high point. Something precious is coming your way. Don't put too much stock in a tricky scheme.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22
Sympathy is given after a speech about liberty. Make it easier for someone to take you seriously. Say goodbye to childish things.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Make the best decision for everyone. Therapy is necessary for someone in crisis. A distress signal shouldn't be ignored.

SCORPIO
OCT 24-NOV 22
Get rid of things that you don't need. Make space in your agenda for new ventures. Help someone to deal with reality.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23-DEC 21
Remarkable news is overheard. Obstacles will contribute to better problem solving. A hearty person's hasty words will lead to grief.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20
A scathing remark from a friend causes disquiet. Pay attention to alarms. Frustration results from interference.

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18
A special friend has good times in mind. Show someone your true colours. Get inspiration from a smart man.

PISCES
FEB 19-MAR 20
The truth comes out after a mysterious encounter. Comments will fly fast and furiously. Do your best with a dull task.

Sudoku

	9		5		2		1	
		6	1		3	2		
	2	1				9	6	
			9		8			
4								2
			3		7			
	7	5				4	9	
		4	7		5	6		
	8		4		9		7	

HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU:
The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

previous day's answer

7	4	8	2	9	1	5	6	3
2	3	6	4	8	5	9	7	1
1	5	9	6	3	7	8	2	4
4	6	2	9	5	8	1	3	7
5	8	1	7	4	3	6	9	2
3	9	7	1	2	6	4	8	5
6	7	4	3	1	9	2	5	8
8	1	3	5	6	2	7	4	9
9	2	5	8	7	4	3	1	6

SUDOKU SOLVE TIME IN MINUTES:

Under 13. . . . . Genius
13-17 . . . . . Scholar
17-21. . . . . Smart
21-25. . . . . Not bad
25+ . . . . . Keep practising

more games metronews.ca

Toronto weather

Afternoon	Tonight	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunny. 22°	Clear. 14°	Sunny. 25°/16°	Variable. 28°/19°	Variable. 29°/20°

The Weather Network theweathernetwork.com

Temperature
Normals
High: 25.4°
Low: 13.2°

Records
High: 35°/1955
Low: 6.3°/1977

Sunrise: 6:29 a.m.
Sunset: 8:13 p.m.
Moonset: 10:41 a.m.
Moonrise: 9:40 p.m.

©The Weather Network 2008

WE'LL KNOW WHEN YOUR JOINTS ACHE BEFORE YOU DO.
NOW WITH REALLY, REALLY LOCAL WEATHER.
The Weather Network

Fox happy in the sun

Transformers star Megan Fox is sure to upset cancer experts and dermatologists — by insisting the sun and sea work wonders for her. She says, "I find that being out in the sun is better for you than people think." IMDB.COM

Celebrity Buzz

Mom inspired cancer battle: Applegate

SURVIVOR Actress Christina Applegate knew she would survive breast cancer — because she watched her own mother battle with the disease for years, imdb.com reports.

The 36-year-old star underwent a double mastectomy following her diagnosis with the deadly illness last month — leaving her "clear" of any tumours.

And she insists her mother Nancy — a two-time breast cancer survivor — was her saviour throughout the battle.

She says, "I watched (my mother) have a mastectomy, and then I watched her go through two years of chemotherapy and eight surgeries and a hysterectomy. I've watched this woman survive ... so for me there was always that sense I was going to be OK, no matter what.

"I really love living and I really love my life and I knew from this moment on there was only going to be good that was going to be coming.

"Yeah, I'm going to face challenges, but you can't get any darker than where I've been. So just knowing that in my soul gave me the strength to just say I have to get out there and make this a positive."

METRO NEWS SERVICES

GETTY IMAGES PHOTOS

Kate running to Owen?

RELATIONSHIPS Kate Hudson is reportedly trying to reconcile with Owen Wilson, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Fool's Gold actress is said to have been bombarding the Wedding Crashers star with phone calls since her split from cyclist Lance Armstrong last month, and although her old flame initially wasn't interested, he is now considering rebuilding their relationship for a third time.

A source said: "He was frosty at first. He felt betrayed when she dumped him for his friend Lance. But after a while, he caved in and has been sweet to her."

The pair first dated in 2006 after meeting on the set of You, Me and Dupree.

Owen attempted suicide soon after their breakup in June 2007. They enjoyed a brief reconciliation earlier this year.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

celebrity brief

Kanye's crush? Sexy Scarlett

IMAGE Kanye West is a proud fan of Scarlett Johansson, usmagazine.com reports. The rapper posted a blog on his official site entitled "MY FAVORITE WHITE GIRL!!!!!!!" that consists of her name and dozens of photos of her — scantily-clad.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

celebrity brief

Aniston wasn't dumped: Pal

RELATIONSHIPS Apparently, John Mayer angered Jennifer Aniston's pals when he told photographers over the weekend that he "ended" the relationship. "He's acting like a spoiled child," an Aniston pal snipped to MSNBC's Courtney Hazlett. "Expect Jen to behave like a lady." (Incidentally, the source adds, "It's she who ended the relationship.")

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Paris' rep denies boob job

RUMOUR Paris Hilton has slammed reports she has undergone plastic surgery to enhance the size of her breasts, imdb.com reports.

The hotel heiress — who once flaunted her petite A-cups on the cover of U.S. magazine Vanity Fair — sparked rumours she has had breast implants after she was recently photographed with a noticeably larger chest.

But a spokesperson for Hilton insists she hasn't had her breasts surgically altered, crediting "a prototype from her Paris Hilton 'push-up' bra line" for the star's enlarged cleavage. The representative adds: "Paris has never had plastic surgery."

METRO NEWS SERVICES

celebrity brief

Britney owes hefty lawyer fees

DIVORCES Who said getting back on track was cheap? Stacy Phillips, one of the members of Britney Spears' legal team, has filed a declaration in Los Angeles Superior Court saying the Sometimes I Run songstress owes $338,414.87 to Phillips, eonline.com reports. There are rumours of a lawsuit in the works because Spears' camp is objecting to the hefty sum.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

"This makes no sense at all..."

by Joe O'Neill

Obviously **Megan Fox** is one to shy away from speaking her mind on controversial subjects. She has revealed that she likes the sun! Also on her list of "turn-ons" are food, oxygen, shelter, and walking erect.

If **Britney Spears** thinks her legal fees are too high, she has only herself to blame. She should have represented herself in court, like **K-Fed** did. Apparently, his rap version of Inherit the Wind really swung the custody battle his way.

Will **Kate Hudson** and **Owen Wilson** be third time lucky? You know, there's an unwritten law about not trying to get back with someone who once attempted suicide when you broke up with them before. Of course, the fact that it's unwritten may explain why **Hudson** hasn't read it. That's why I'm writing it now: Step away from the tousle-haired manchild, harlot, if he dies **Ben Stiller's** movies will become even less funny than they already are.

The aftermath of the Anisyer breakup is taking up more time than the actual relationship did, with both **Jennifer Aniston** and **John Mayer** giving conflicting reports as to who did the dumping. It all seemed vaguely familiar to me somehow ... This happened, over and over again, when we were all in Grade 7. There's the bell, recess is over.

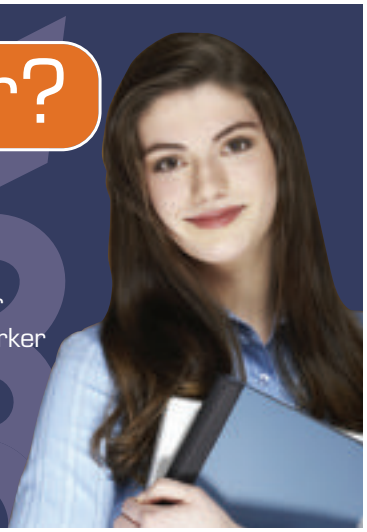
Interested in a new career?

Medix Schools provide our students with the following health care career training programs:

Intra-Oral Dental Assistant • Dental Hygiene • Medical & General Lab Assistant
Esthetics • Massage Therapy • Medical Office Assistant • Personal Support Worker
Social Service Worker • Pharmacy Technician Assistant • Developmental Service Worker

Contact us today to learn more about these exciting programs.
Toronto West: 416-630-8021
Toronto East: 416-701-1201
www.medixschool.ca

Medix School
BE JOB READY IN MONTHS!



Still smoking?
Hollywood actor Patrick Swayze has defied critics by smoking while battling pancreatic cancer. New photographs of Swayze filming new TV series The Beast show him smoking cigarettes in between breaks. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

Ex-manager planted affair story: Source

RELATIONSHIPS When Lenny Kravitz learned he was being accused of having an extramarital affair with Alex Rodriguez's wife, Cynthia, he "looked like he was going to throw up," according to a witness, pagesix.com reports.

Dodd Romero, the hulking fitness trainer who accompanied Cynthia to Paris, told The Post that Kravitz blames his former manager, Guy Oseary, for entangling the rocker in the twisted tales about Madonna and the Yankee slugger.

Romero called Kravitz two weeks ago to tip him off that Oseary — who managed Kravitz, Madonna and A-Rod — was about to "pimp out Madonna and A-Rod," said a source. But Kravitz didn't approve and told Romero, "I'll take care of this" — and fired Oseary.

Kravitz was shocked when he was then accused of having a fling with the slugger's wife, said the source. Romero believes Oseary planted the story in retaliation for being dumped.

Kravitz, Cynthia Rodriguez and Romero were all in Kravitz's tour bus when the reports broke in Paris. "Lenny looked like he was going to throw up," Romero told the Post. "Lenny said, 'I worked so hard to clean up my image and now I'm gonna get dragged into this.'"

A rep for Kravitz confirmed he dumped Oseary two weeks ago.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

GETTY IMAGES PHOTOS

Actress denies ruining Rock's marriage

RUMOURS Ray star Kerry Washington is laughing off reports she wrecked Chris Rock's marriage, insisting the comedian and his wife are still very much together, imdb.com reports.

The actress claims many people "bought the hype" when Washington played a home wrecker in Rock's movie I Think I Love My Wife, but she never had a real romance with the comic.

Washington says, "First of all, Chris Rock is still married. And his wife picked out a beautiful gift for me after we finished shooting: A Marc Jacobs purse ... It was only a movie."

Meanwhile, Washington insists she's enjoying the single life after breaking off her engagement to actor David Moscow: "I'm in a really good place right now. Not being with someone is a good time to learn about yourself."

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Wahlberg's wife files for divorce

RELATIONSHIPS Call him New Kid on the chopping block. Donnie Wahlberg's wife of more than eight years, Kim Fey Wahlberg, has filed for divorce from the comeback-minded boy bander, citing the ever popular irreconcilable differences, eonline.com reports.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

McConaughey defends movie's 'retard' quip

RED CARPET Matthew McConaughey has defended controversial new movie Tropic Thunder against disability advocate groups, who claim the comedy is irresponsible, imdb.com reports.

The actor, who has a cameo in the Ben Stiller film, was stunned to find protesters at the movie's Los Angeles premiere last week.

They were there protesting the use of the word "retard" in the film and one scene, in which Stiller and co-star Robert Downey Jr.s' characters poke fun at the mentally disabled.

But McConaughey insists those who fear the film sends the wrong message should at least see the movie, which debuted at No. 1 on Sunday.

Writing on his MySpace.com blog, the Sahara star says: "If you see it, I think you'll agree that all the touchy humour is in context, and in no way mean spirited or irresponsible."

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Sienna doesn't deserve a song

HEARTBREAK Actor/musician Rhys Ifans has refused to write about his breakup with Sienna Miller on his band's new album — because she "doesn't deserve" a song, imdb.com reports.

The Alfie star ended their year-long relationship in June and has reportedly been dating married actor Balthazar Getty.

And Ifans, who sings with Welsh rock band The Peth, denies his track Stonefinger from new album, The Golden Mile, was dedicated to Miller, insisting it was written about a previous love.

He says, "Jesus Christ, no. She doesn't deserve a f**king song, that one."

METRO NEWS SERVICES

celebrity brief

Lily allegedly tries to punch heckler

PEOPLE Lily Allen attempted to punch a woman outside a London nightspot in the early hours of yesterday morning, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The incident took place after the unnamed passerby allegedly hurled abuse at the Smile singer outside Ronnie Scott's Jazz Club. Lily then retaliated by trying to hit the woman three times. The woman is said to have laughed off the incident.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Kia Summer Clearance

Which car would you pick?
0% FINANCING FOR 72 MONTHS ON SELECT 2008 MODELS§
COMPETITIVE LEASE RATES AVAILABLE
Never say "pick" to a flower.

2008 Sportage

OWN IT FROM

$16,495◆ CASH PURCHASE PRICE

—OR—

$108** AT **0%** APR | 4.67% EFF. RATE❖ **$0 DOWN PAYMENT**

BI-WEEKLY • FOR 60 MOS. • AMORT. OVER 84 MOS.
$5,627 REMAINING BALANCE

HWY: 7.8 L/100KM 36 MPG
CITY: 10.4 L/100KM 27 MPG

5-STAR CRASH TEST RATING††

Gas Card $500 OR CASH REBATE◆ KIA MOTORS

LX model shown

- 2.0 L 16-valve CVVT, or available 2.7 L 24-valve V6 engine
- Available all-wheel drive system • Standard six airbags & ABS
- Standard Electronic Stability Control (ESC) & Traction Control System (TCS)
- Power windows, locks and side mirrors

HWY: 8.8 L/100KM 32.1 MPG
CITY: 13.2 L/100KM 21.4 MPG

2008 "TOP SAFETY PICK"◇
INSURANCE INSTITUTE FOR HIGHWAY SAFETY

5-STAR CRASH TEST RATING††

EX model shown

2008 Sedona LX

CASH PURCHASE PRICE

$19,995◆

$9,750 OFF◆

INCREDIBLY EQUIPPED

- 3.8 L 24-valve CVVT V6 engine
- 5-speed automatic transmission
- Standard six airbags & ABS
- Extended wheelbase
- Standard back-up warning system

HWY: 5.7 L/100KM 50 MPG
CITY: 8.1 L/100KM 35 MPG

greenercars.org
One of the Greenest Vehicles in its segment‡

EX model shown

2008 Rio

OWN IT FROM

$9,995◆

CASH PURCHASE PRICE

- 4-cylinder 1.6 L 16-valve CVVT engine
- Standard 8-way driver's seat
- 4-door sedan
- 60/40 split-folding rear seats
- AM/FM/CD/MP3/WMA stereo with USB & AUX audio inputs

PLUS, 8 VEHICLES FOR UNDER $20,000*

Rio	Rio5	Spectra	Spectra5	Magentis	Rondo	Sportage	Sedona
From $9,995*	From $12,245*	From $11,995*	From $13,995*	From $17,795*	From $17,995*	From $16,495*	From $19,995*

5 Year Warranty

We've got you covered.

- 5-YEAR/100,000 KM WORRY-FREE COMPREHENSIVE WARRANTY▼
- 5-YEAR/100,000 KM POWERTRAIN WARRANTY
- 5-YEAR/100,000 KM EXTRA CARE ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE
- NO DEDUCTIBLE CHARGE

$500 Grad Rebate◆

mobility PROGRAM

Visit **kia.ca** to see our full lineup of Kia vehicles.

TORONTO FC

KIA MOTORS
The Power to Surprise™

8 vehicles for under $20,000 based on the cash purchase price of $9,995/$12,245/$11,995/$13,995/$17,795/$17,995/$16,495/$19,995 which includes a cash rebate of $3,600/$1,750/$4,000/$2,500/$4,100/$2,000/$4,700/$9,750 based on an MSRP of $13,595/$13,995/$15,995/$16,495/$21,895/$19,995/$21,695/$29,745 for the 2008 Rio EX MT (RO5428)/2008 Rio5 MT (RO5528)/2008 Spectra LX MT (ST5418)/2008 Spectra5 LX MT (ST5518)/2008 Magentis LX MT (MS5418)/2008 Rondo LX (RN7518)/2008 Sportage LX MT (SP5518)/2008 Sedona LX (SD7528). **Bi-weekly payment for 2008 Sportage LX (SP5518) is $108 with an APR of 0% for 60 months, amortized over an 84-month period. Estimated remaining principal balance of $5,627 plus applicable taxes due at end of 60-month period. License, registration, insurance, dealer administration fees, delivery and destination and taxes are excluded. ◆Cash purchase price for the 2008 Sportage LX/2008 Sedona LX/2008 Rio EX MT is $16,495/$19,995/$9,995 and includes a cash rebate of $4,700/$9,750/$3,600 based on an MSRP of $21,895/$29,745/$13,595. Payment information shown for 2008 Sportage LX (SP5518) includes a $500 cash rebate in lieu of gas card. ❖Get a $500 Gas Card or cash rebate with the cash purchase, lease or loan of any new 2008 Sportage/Sorento (all trims) and only for use at participating Kia dealers by Canadian residents. ❖ The effective interest rate is 4.67% relative to the respective advertised finance/lease APR. The effective rate is for information purposes only, §0% purchase financing available on select 2008 Rio/Rio5/Spectra/Spectra5/Rondo/Magentis/Amanti/Sportage/Sedona/Sorento models for a term of up to 48/48/72/72/60/72/24/72/60/48 months O.A.C. (term varies by model). Offer available on financed transactions only. Purchase financing example: $10,000 at 2.9% purchase financing equals $179 per month for 60 months; cost of borrowing (C.O.B.) is $755 for a total obligation of $10,755. Monthly payment and C.O.B. will vary depending on amount borrowed, the term and down payment and/or trade. Other lease and finance options also available. Dealers are free to set individual prices. Prices subject to change without notice. Certain restrictions may apply. ›Highway/city fuel consumption for 2008 Sportage LX MT is 7.8 L (36 MPG)/10.4 L (27 MPG) per 100km; 2008 Sedona LX is 8.8 L (32.1 MPG)/13.2 L (21.4 MPG) per 100km; 2008 Rio EX MT is 5.7 L (50 MPG)/8.1 L (35 MPG) per 100km. The actual fuel consumption of these vehicles may vary. These estimates are based on the Government of Canada's approved criteria and testing methods. Refer to the Government of Canada publication EnerGuide Fuel Consumption Guide. †TNHTSA (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration) test results. Visit www.safercar.gov for full details. ◇2008 Sedona awarded the Top Safety Pick by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. Visit www.iihs.org for full details. ‡GreenerCars.org for full details. ▼Kia's "Worry-Free Comprehensive" warranty covers most vehicle components against defects occurring under normal use and maintenance conditions. Price, availability and specifications are subject to changes without notice. Some vehicles advertised may include optional accessories or after-sale equipment and may not be exactly as shown. Information in this advertisement is believed to be accurate at the time of print. Offer ends September 2, 2008. KIA is a trademark of Kia Motors Corporation.